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Want Council To Reconsider Special Meeting On St. Anne's May Be Held

Four members of the 11-member Agawam Town Council at presstime are hoping to convene a special meeting for Monday, August 22nd, in an attempt to rekindle the town's bid to buy the 171-acre St. Anne's Country Club.

An August 26th deadline has been set for the town if it wishes to purchase the land.

The main reason for calling the special meeting is to air further arguments to buy the land, including a call by the Agawam Council on Aging to use some of the parcel to service elderly housing.

Under council rules, a special meeting of the council can be called if five or more members put in writing they wish to hold such a meeting.

The four councilors at presstime include council Vice-President Jessie Fuller, Christopher Johnson, Benjamin Lockhart, and David Skolnick, with a fifth signature pending.

The four councilors supported the plan for the town to buy St. Anne's at the council's Monday, August 1st meeting. However, only six of the 11-member council supported the \$4 million plan. The town charter stipulates that two-thirds of the council (eight votes) are necessary to buy property.

Councilors John Negrucci and Philip DeForge were the other councilors to support purchasing the land.

Councilors Frederick Nardi, Edward Caba, and Paul Fieldstad dissented. Council President Donald M. Rheault abstained from voting because of a potential conflict of interest. His family had put in a verbal offer to buy the property from the Napolitan brothers prior to the town's involvement in buying the golf course.

Councilor Edward G. Borgatti was absent from the August 1st meeting.

The town has first-option to buy the parcel because the Napolitan brothers took advantage of a state-sponsored program that reduced taxes on the land due to its recreational and open space value.

Dissenting arguments on the purchase included it was a bad business deal for the town; the town was extending itself financially; and Town Manager Reid S. Charles had not provided accurate figures to substantiate the purchase was a good business venture for the town.

Moreover, several councilors who were receptive to the plan at its outset, became deeply concerned over the business end of buying the land, and said Charles' figures were causing confusion.

Townpeople who attended the heated August 1st meeting, as well as a July public hearing, voiced vehement support of buying the land.

According to Charles, the state has committed to reimburse the town some \$500,000 towards the purchase of the land, which is now slated to be bought by Springfield developers Anthony Ravosa and Stephen Reilly.

More and more residents are saying that the town should purchase the land to maintain the integrity of the parcel as open and recreational space, and that it was never intended to be developed.

BACK TO SCHOOL
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Turnverein Sends Gymnasts To West Germany



THE GERMAN-AMERICAN EXCHANGE group from the Springfield Turnverein is pictured in the mayor's office in the City of Dielheim during a recent two-week tour of Germany. The Turnverein's gymnastic students hosted a similar group from Germany earlier this summer. One of the adult leaders of the group is Dale Miller (back row-right) of Agawam. MORE PICTURES IN EDUCATION SECTION).

VFW Ladies Auxiliary Again 1st In District



AGAWAM VFW LADIES AUXILIARY members, from left - Anne Palmer, Noreen Fusick (president), Judy Broder, Gladys Belcher, Andree Luginbuhl, Mae O'Neil, and Rita Shea hold thumbs-up as the auxiliary, for the third straight year, was the first in District 7 to reach 100 percent membership. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



POLICE CHIEF STANLEY J. CHMIELEWSKI (center) presents commendations to officers Mark Poggi, James Luccardi, Peter Bertera, and duty Sergeant Donald Loncto (right). Chmielewski said the actions of his men were heroic and accomplished without the aid of breathing apparatus. The commendations were handed-out last week. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Police Actions At Regency Park Fire Praised By Chmielewski

On July 10th, at about 2:30 a.m., it was reported to the Police and Fire Departments that an apartment at Regency Park was on fire.

Three cruisers arrived on the scene in a matter of minutes, and Sergeant Donald Loncto, Officers Peter Bertera, Mark Poggi and James Luccardi immediately entered the smoke-filled building to rescue those obviously still inside.

As the Fire Department arrived, and after all inside were taken to safety, these officers exited the building and oxygen was administered as it was apparent that they were in distress. Refusing to leave the scene for medical attention, they remained to control the crowd and assist the Fire Department in whatever way they could.

For their actions in those early morning hours, these officers were given commendations by Chief Stanley Chmielewski and Town Manager Reid Charles. A detailed report was also written up by their commander, Lieutenant Robert Campbell, who also praised the men for their heroic actions accomplished without the aid of breathing apparatus.

"Our townspeople should know that when the chips are down and lives are on the line, their Police and Fire Departments will be there to accomplish the difficult and sometimes impossible," said Crime Prevention Officer Wayne Macey.

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Henry Kozloski, Chairman

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Editorial

Guest Editorial...

Claims Of Behind-The-Scenes Problems At Bondi's Incinerator Of Grave Concern

by Harold Walker - Agawam

The Fluor Vicon incinerator saga continues to unfold.

In the New England area there are three operating Vicon incinerators - Pittsfield, Rutland (Vt.), and Agawam.

Vicon is in serious financial trouble. KTI of Portland, Maine, is looking at purchasing the Pittsfield and Rutland facility because of 17 liens on the Rutland facility, in excess of \$3 million by a variety of contractors and the International Bank of Japan. **When and where did the problems begin?**

How is the possible sale of KTI of Maine going to affect the Bondi's Island facility when the Agawam plant is actually collateral for the new Rutland operation?

Vicon's Rutland plant was a proposed \$9 million plant that escalated to \$36 million before going on line in January 1988.

The toxic ash that incinerators produce was rejected by state officials in Vermont six months ago, and for that time period, Vicon has had the responsibility of transporting it to upstate New York, 400 miles from its origin.

Cash flow problems have prevented Vicon from paying tipping fees to the New York company for the hazardous ash, and resulted in **them being turned away**. The ash is now being trucked to Cleveland, Ohio - 1,600 miles from its origin.

The City of Rutland is owed \$140,000 plus interest by Vicon for **nonpayment of taxes**, and the Vermont city is considering **action** against the firm.

The monitoring tests to the state (which reveal the emission levels of pollutants) were late because the company, reportedly, did not have the \$150,000 to pay for them.

The local Advocates for a Safe Environment have said that a mass burn incinerator was the worst possible technology to come to our already over-polluted area. Little did we know that Springfield's choice of an operator would be the worst possible company to handle our solid waste crisis.

The state Division of Solid Waste Management has:

promoted incineration as the first line of defense against the solid waste crisis since the 1970's, despite environmental groups' warnings of the dangers.

Scientists and environmentalists consider burning to be a short-term, quick-fix solution that is environmentally threatening and a public health hazard.

They have opted to promote the safer, less expensive long-term solutions of recycling, composting, reduction, and reuse. Springfield and Agawam trusted the DSWM, and the only portion of our "integrated solid waste management program" up and running is the incinerator.

A "small miscalculation" by Springfield city officials has left no provision for 10 percent of Springfield's waste from park and school departments, the housing authority, the Civic Center, and other groups and organizations. The Bondi's Island Dump was closed August 1st when Vicon went on line - **it reopened within a week** to accommodate Springfield's trash that cannot be burned.

Attorney Tom Taylor, who represents Vicon (I mean the communities under contract to Vicon), commented, "If they have miscalculated their waste amount on a long-term basis, there is still a way out. That way out is to aggressively implement the recycling program and yard waste program." Atta boy, Tom!

Considering Vicon's overall financial dilemma, our attention should not be focused on the 10 percent of Springfield's extra trash that cannot be burned, but on what Agawam and the other eight communities under contract to Vicon will do when the plant permanently closes its doors.

Does the contract include a provision for Vicon to dispose of furnaces, acid gas scrubbers, bag houses, plumbing, cooling towers, and a 173 foot smokestack?

Our leaders have failed us. Cover your waste baskets and before you throw anything away, ask yourself - can I fix it, save it, sell it, donate it, swap it, reuse it, recycle, compost it? If you can't, then lift the cover.

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graduates with Certificates of Achievement and 7.5 units of continuing education credit. Qualified graduates may be offered job interviews for positions with Block. Block is, however, under no obligation to offer employment, nor are graduates under any obligation to accept employment with Block.

This year's 13-week course starts on September 12th. Students may choose from morning, or evening classes at 7 area locations, including one at 333 Walnut Street in Agawam. Additional information and registration forms are available from the H&R Block office at 536 Summer Avenue, Springfield, MA 01108 (at the X). The telephone number is 781-4640.

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To The Editor:

We would like to take this opportunity to offer our deepest thanks to the Town of Agawam. During our time of need, the town pulled together to help our family, especially Bobby. The help was emotionally as well as financially satisfying.

To everyone behind the scenes, the organizers, donors, advertisers, electricians, cooks, parents, and to all the kids, we thank you so much.

There was a lot of hard work and effort put into this benefit and fundraising, and it showed. It was a great success. Congratulations to all the raffle winners.

Thanks to the public for enduring the heat and long lines at the high school. Thank you to those who helped make these two things bearable.

Words cannot express how our family feels towards our friends, relatives, parents, and perfect strangers. This memory will be with us forever.

Bob watched the whole breakfast on video tape and sends his deepest appreciation and thanks. He's doing very well and hopes to be home soon.

Sincerely,

The Dunn Family

Bob, Gloria, Pam,

Kim Kelly, Laura, & Bobby

Thanks AAN From Camp Rainbow

To The Editor:

Just a short note in appreciation for *The Agawam Advertiser News* coverage of Camp Rainbow's many events.

The layout of Special Olympics demonstrated the excitement and accomplishments felt by all the participants, families, and friends involved.

We feel very fortunate to have a recreational program such as Camp Rainbow for our children.

Thank you

Ann Rahilly

Linda Stoddard

Sharon Stratton

Camp Rainbow Thanks AAN

To The Editor:

As parents of special needs children, we want to thank Bernadette Conte, her staff, and volunteers for their dedication toward our children.

They have enjoyed a variety of fun-filled and exciting camp experiences.

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Gratefully,

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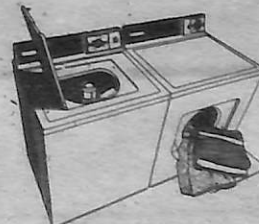
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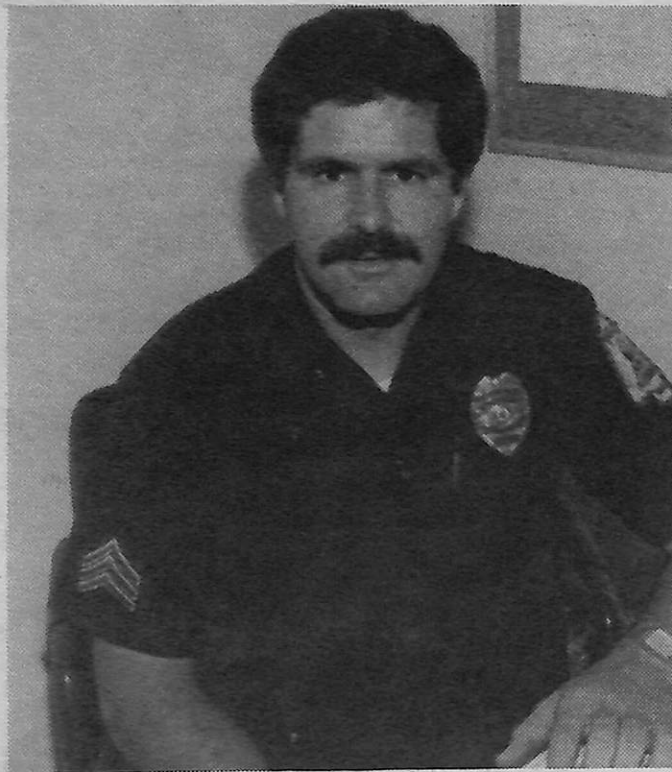


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Meet Your Agawam Police - by Crime Prevention Officer Wayne Macey

Sergeant Gary Nardi



SERGEANT GARY NARDI

Born and raised in Agawam, Gary attended public schools here and presently resides in Agawam with his wife and two children.

A member of the Agawam Auxiliary Police for three years, he attended Holyoke Community College, where he received his associate's degree in law enforcement.

In September 1979 Gary was appointed patrolman on the regular force where he was assigned to the 5:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. shift. In 1983 he was appointed to the Detective Bureau where he served for a short time before being assigned to the Traffic Bureau, Motorcycle Patrol, again on the 5:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. shift. He remained with traffic until February 1987 when he successfully completed an exam for Sergeant and was promoted to that rank as commander on the 5:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. shift.

Gary is past president of the Agawam Police Patrolman's Association where he served for two years in that office. He also served as vice-president for a year.

A graduate of the Springfield Police Academy in 1980, Gary also attended the following in-service schools: on scene accident investigation, advanced accident investigation, rape investigators' school, motorcycle operation school, breath test school, D.U.I. detection school, field sobriety test instructors' school,

C.P.R. and first responders instructors' school, and supervisors' management series instruction held at the Massachusetts Criminal Justice Training Council in Feeding Hills.

Gary also serves as an instructor at the Police Academy in the following subjects: field sobriety test, D.U.I. detection, and apprehension, in-service training for regular police officers, accident investigation, in-service training for police reserves, and C.P.R. and first responders.

Gary has received several departmental commendations, including one for his efforts in the apprehension of two armed robbery suspects who held up the Agawam Food Mart.

In a very short period of time, Gary has demonstrated, to both his superiors and the men who work for him, the energy and ability necessary to be an effective leader.

He holds a back seat to none in his knowledge of the law and his willingness to get the job done. To be able to work with and lead the men of the department is no easy task. His actions and abilities speak for themselves and have earned Gary the respect and admiration of all who know him.

Agawam Obituaries

Donald H. Mattoon

Donald H. Mattoon, 63, of 37 South Florida Drive, Agawam, former owner of the former L & M Builders, died in Baystate Medical Center, Springfield. He was currently a building contractor in Hartford.

Born in Springfield, he lived in Agawam for 35 years. He was active in Agawam Town politics and a representative for the Agawam Town Committee. He was also a member of the Agawam Revolver Club.

He leaves his wife, the former Louise Barbati; a son, Russell James of Agawam; a daughter, Marie Kellogg of Agawam; his mother, the former Alice Lamier of West Springfield; his stepmother, the former Rose Shibley of Agawam; two brothers, Kenneth of West Springfield and Douglass of Burlington, Vermont; a

sister, Barbara Woodworth of Russell; and three grandchildren.

The funeral was at Tazzini Funeral Home with burial in Hillcrest Park Cemetery, both of Springfield.

Arthur E. Sausville

Arthur E. Sausville, 66, of 54 Charles Street, Agawam, former Town Meeting member, died in Baystate Medical Center, Springfield. He was a printing press assembler at Kidder Stacy Company.

Born in Warren, he moved to Agawam 37 years ago. He was chairman of the Agawam Sidewalk and Safety Committee. He served in the Navy Seabees for four years during World War II and was a carpenter's mate third class. He received several campaign ribbons and medals.

He was a communicant of St. John the Evangelist Church. He was a member of Post 1632, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Local 221, the International Union of Electronic Electrical Salaried Machine and Furniture Workers, AFL-CIO, and the International Union of Electrical Workers, AFL-CIO.

He leaves his wife, the former Ruth J. Michalek; a son, Donald D. of Feeding Hills; four daughters, Sherry Sausville-Borgatti of Agawam, Donna M. Davis of Feeding Hills and Irene S. Sausville and Laura B. Sausville, both of West Springfield; three sisters, Mildred Delaney of Warren, Hazel Homans of Hubbardston and Gertrude Taylor of Longvalley, New Jersey; and four grandchildren.

The funeral was at Colonial Funeral Home and in the church with burial in Agawam Center Cemetery.

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Walsh Urges House To Pass Funding For All County Jails

State Representative Michael P. Walsh (D-Agawam) today urged the House Ways and Means Committee to consider a measure he filed that would provide financial assistance to county jails with inmate counts over designed capacities.

"The problem earlier in the week in Essex and Middlesex Counties highlights the tremendous problems that exist in all of our county jails," said Walsh, the chairman of the House Committee on Counties, referring to the rioting that broke out on Sunday at the Essex and Middlesex Houses of Correction.

"They are overcrowded, in some cases understaffed, and in most cases the buildings are antiquated. The sheriffs need greater financial assistance immediately, until the future of county government and the fate of county jails are decided," he said.

The bill establishes a \$50 million fund to reimburse each county for the cost of housing inmates in excess of the maximum capacity established for each county jail and house of correction.

The secretary of administration and finance will determine the cost of housing each additional inmate and will pay each county up to \$5,000 per inmate, per year, with the amount to be paid on a quarterly basis.

"This bill represents a temporary, equitable funding mechanism that will give the sheriffs the ability to get additional manpower and make conditions in the jails more habitable," said Walsh.

"What happened at the Essex and Middlesex facilities points to the fact that unless we make jail funding a priority, county jails will represent a threat of safety, not only to the inmate population, but to the inhabitants living near the facilities as well," said Walsh.

For glossy copies of photos in this edition, please contact Jack Devine at 789-0053.

Municipal Events

GRAND NATIONAL AUTO

Monday, August 22nd
Agawam Town Council
Special Meeting On
St. Anne's
Agawam Public Library
8:00 P.M.
PENDING AT PRESSTIME

Thursday, August 25th
Agawam Conservation Comm.
Town Clerk's Conference Room
7:15 p.m.

Monday, September 5th
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There are three primary dangers in cooking out. One is clothes catching fire. Another is improper use of lighter fluid. Another is careless behavior around the hot grill.

These and other barbecue risks are easy to avoid if you use a little common sense. Wear clothing that won't flop against the coals or hot surfaces of the grill. No loose sleeves, long-shirt tails, or neckties (who'd want to wear a necktie at a cookout, anyway?). They can burst into flames more easily than you can imagine. And always use long-handled utensils that are intended for barbecuing.

If you must use lighter fluid, use it carefully. Never re-apply it after the fire has been lit. The heat from the coals will ignite the stream of fluid and flash back up

to the can, exploding it in your hands. It happens far too fast for you to notice and drop the can. And it's as horrible as it sounds. The best and safest way to start your fire is with a bunch of crumpled newspapers. It's low-tech but it works and it won't explode in your face.

Remember that the grill is an extremely hot and dangerous thing. Be sure it's set in a safe, stable place. Keep children and their curiosity away from the grill. And do the same for anyone who's had too much to drink. Never use a grill under overhanging trees, roofs, awnings, or umbrellas. If it's raining, either don't cook out or plan to get wet.

Keep a garden hose or large bucket of water nearby, just in case. Be sure the hose is connected and turned on so that a flick of the nozzle will bring water instantly.

After cooking, soak the coals thoroughly and keep them outside until they dry out. If wet charcoal is trapped in a closed place, it can burst into flames. So, if your bag of charcoal gets wet, leave it outside well away from your house or garage to dry out.

Have a safe, happy, delicious cookout.



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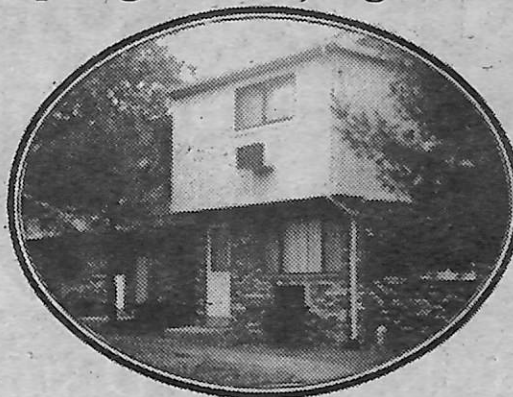
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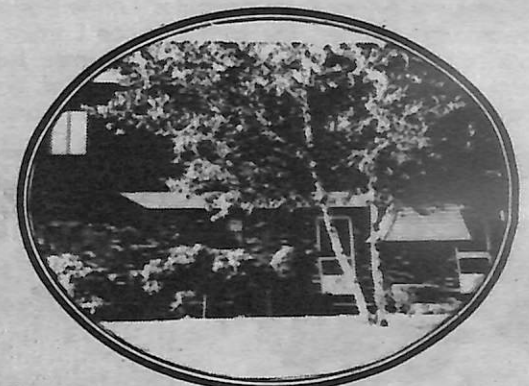


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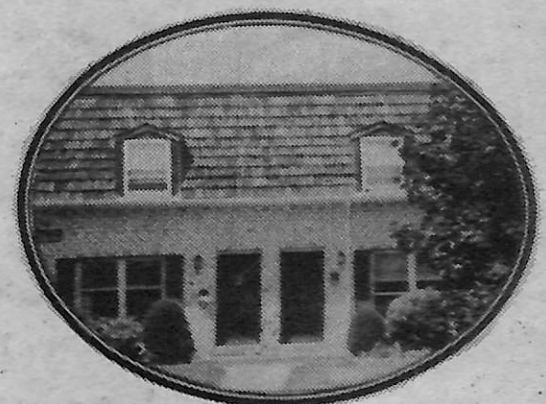
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Blue Ribbon Committee Meets With Consultant

by Christine Piesyk
Advertiser News Staff

"We're on the job already."

Those words came from Richard Bennett, spokesman for Bennett and Shaw Management Consultants of Boston, the firm contracted to study Agawam's fiscal and managerial operations under a state grant from the Executive Office of Communities and Development.

At Tuesday night's conference meeting with members of a Blue Ribbon Committee appointed to oversee the study, Bennett told the nine committee members in attendance that his firm has begun meeting with elected and appointed officials of the town "to gather data on the structure of and management practices of Agawam government."

Though they have up to 120 days to complete their study and recommendations, the consultants will meet for "round table" discussion with committee members at least four or five times, preferably on a once-a-month schedule, said Bennett.

The meetings will include addressing the findings of consultants and the specific areas of concern as indicated by the committee.

"It's a learning process," Bennett stated, "not a final statement. It's important to discuss openly these issues and concerns."

Bennett's associate, Peter Boyer, who spent most of the day dealing with financial data and management, said he had already spoken with the town treasurer's office, town assessor, collector, and clerk.

Boyer said he was assessing where the town stood "in the financial world," and said that his first impressions of the town's fiscal health was favorable.

"In general the town's financial condition is not bad. It's a plus and minus situation. There is a tremendous amount of new growth and new tax revenues. Growth of \$2 million in property tax revenue is a hefty and healthy increase."

But Boyer also noted the minus side of increased public services that such growth demands - added public works expenses due to sewer, street, and sidewalk maintenance and construction, and added police and fire services, as well as overall municipal services.

In reviewing Agawam's financial picture, Boyer added that financial needs must be carefully monitored and cited problems with tax billing that generated delays in the town's cash flow.

"Fiscal revenue for fiscal 1988 was not collected during that year. Some of that was due to mandated revaluations which ran late, but tax collection is still taking more time than the fiscal year provides for," Boyer stated.

Boyer will also take a closer look at the town's computer system, particularly computer operations that af-

fect the town's financial status. "We need to look this over. The fundamentals are there. The computer, for example, serves the town clerk very well."

Though it's too early to make any recommendations, Boyer noted that one possible position his firm could recommend would be a financial director to over-see all departments involved in the town's financial services.

Committee member Andrew Campbell initiated a motion to include assessments of the School Department in the study, a move that was voted down by a 5-4 vote following heated discussion.

Campbell maintained that the School Department should be included in the study because a large percentage of the town budget is allocated there.

However, the final resolution was to look at non-educational (administrative) functions within the framework of the study.

Among the areas to be examined in upcoming months are public works, planning and development, police and fire services, and still more focus on the town's financial status.

As Bennett also acknowledged, the study, while concentrating on the current governmental format, could be affected by the November referendum issue of revising the charter to replace the town manager with a mayor.

Opinion of committee members remained divided as to the impact such a change could have on the study, which would theoretically be completed prior to a mayoral election.

Bennett said he and his associates would speak with every department head and town councilor in the process of completing their evaluation.

The Blue Ribbon Committee will next meet with the consultants on September 20th at the Agawam Public Library.

The report is expected to be completed by January in order for recommendations to be incorporated into the 1990 town budget.



Barking Dogs Always Cause For Problems In Neighborhoods

by Bob Burke
Agawam Animal Control Officer

A very predominate problem in town regarding dogs is the **barking dog complaint**. This is a frequent complaint that is rather difficult to resolve in that when a cruiser is sent to the scene of the complaint, the dog is quiet.

In the past we have put a 10-day check on barking dog complaints with the results coming back as negative. I am sure that when someone complains about a barking dog in their neighborhood that it is disturbing them at the time that they complain, I do go out and talk to the dog owner in regards to this problem. What I find, many times, is that the dog owner is a very law-abiding person who has his or her dog licensed and restrained and is using the dog as protection for their property.

However, the neighbors' dog is allowed to run all night long and it causes their dog to bark, thereby causing a disturbance. I advise the owner of the barking dog to bring their dog inside at night in order to restore some peace and quiet to the neighborhood, but it would be much better if the residents who let their dogs run all night to restrain their dogs instead. This is one of the reasons **why we have a leash law**.

Don't get me wrong—I'm not advocating that it is alright to leave your dog out at night and allow it to bark at everything that moves or makes a sound. If that's the case, you are violating **other people's rights to their peace and quiet**.

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Agawam Crime Prevention... Fighting Drugs In State Begins With Educating Children

by Officer Wayne Macey
Crime Prevention Bureau

In December 1984, in response to alarming statistics revealing widespread use of drugs and alcohol by Massachusetts youth, Governor Michael S. Dukakis organized the Governor's Alliance Against Drugs.

In its first full year of operation, 200 communities were mobilized in a statewide effort to curb substance abuse. The alliance enjoys the support and full cooperation of private industry, the media, and community leaders.

Staffed by a group of professionals working closely with the governor, the alliance coordinates activities through the executive office of Human Services, the Department of Public Health, the Department of Education, the Secretariat of Public Safety, and the superintendents of schools throughout the Commonwealth.

The funding for the programs comes from state agencies, major media outlets, private health care providers, professional and amateur sports organizations, police associations, and private corporations. Thanks to the commitments of these people and their organizations, more and more Massachusetts students are learning to "say no to drugs."

Each community has been asked to form an advisory council chaired by the school superintendents. These councils review and update school discipline codes, develop written agreements between school and police officials on procedures to deal with alcohol and drugs found in schools, develop curricula for comprehensive kindergarten through grade 12 drug and alcohol prevention education, create peer and parent education programs, and provide access to community treatment resources for youngsters with serious substance abuse problems.

The need for such services was obvious after a survey was taken of 5,000 ninth through 12th grade students in the state. The results indicated that 90 percent of the students reported using alcohol or drugs in their lifetime; 60 percent had used one or more illicit drugs in their lifetime; 31 percent had used one or more illicit drugs in the month prior to the survey; and 28

percent reported using illicit drugs at age 12 or younger.

The problem was enormous and threatened to become even larger. Left untreated, it could undermine the entire structure of society not only in Massachusetts but across the country. Responsible for roughly 5 percent of the world's population, America consumes 90 percent of the world's drugs.

Last year Agawam received a grant totaling \$30,000

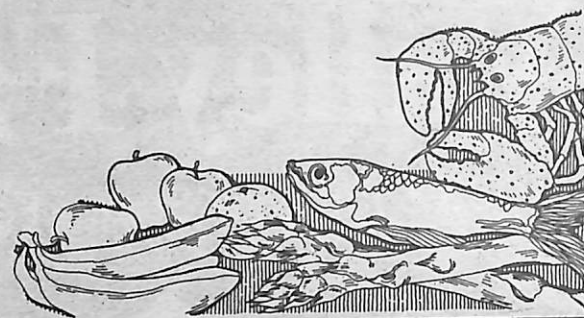
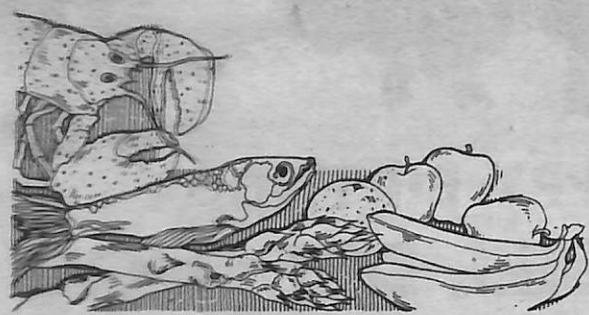
to be used over a three-year period. The monies are being used to fund in-service training for teachers, develop a kindergarten to grade four abuse prevention curriculum, and provide appropriate materials to assist in a hands on learning experience for the children.

Superintendent of Schools James Bruno is chairman of the committee, and has worked long and hard with its other members to assure the children of Agawam get the most from the monies available.

This Week's Town Eyesore



DUMPING HAS ALWAYS BEEN A PROBLEM in town. Photographer Jack Devine was driving by immediately after logs were being dumped on this property on the top off School Street by River Road. The logs are visible from the road. Neighbors in the area said the dumping so close to the side of the road creates an eyesore in their neighborhood. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



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"For over 30 years, Woronoco Savings has been a part of the Southwick community," said Cornelius D. Mahoney, Woronoco president. "Building a second branch office in Southwick is additional evidence of our continued growth and commitment to the area. Record breaking mortgage lending—over \$100 million for the first time in our history—and our recent conversion to Connecticut On Line Computer Center are also examples of Woronoco's commitment to provide a wide range of financial services that our customers want and need."

According to Francis J. Ehrhardt, chairman of the Trustees Building Committee, the committee is currently reviewing alternative architectural plans for the new branch, which is scheduled for ground breaking in the near future.

Woronoco Savings Shows Healthy Quarterly Report

Westfield: The quarterly meeting of Woronoco Savings Bank's Board of Trustees took place on July 20th-21st at the Center for Financial Studies on the campus of Fairfield University, Fairfield, Connecticut. Woronoco President and Chief Executive Officer Cornelius D. Mahoney reported a 7 percent second quarter increase in before-tax income over the previous quarter, exceeding budget by 25 percent.

"Woronoco's surplus is a healthy 8.2 percent of total assets and deposits in the second quarter 1988 having grown by 1.5 percent," Mahoney said. Compared in the same period in 1987, Woronoco's second quarter net income is up 11.5 percent; and total income for the first six months of this year exceeded 1987 income for the same period by 7 percent.

A 5.4 increase in operational income for the second quarter 1988 over the previous year was also reported to the trustees, as was payment of second quarter dividends over \$2.3 million.

It was reported the real estate loans now exceed \$100 million for the first time in Woronoco Savings Bank's history. This represents an increase of 4 percent above 1987's second quarter report.

Agawam Police Blotter For Last Week

Crime Prevention Officer Wayne Macey today released the following crime statistics for week ending Saturday, August 13th.

Crime activity included 11 arrests and 292 total calls answered.

Other statistics included one assault and battery, three breaking and entering, 28 larcenies, seven malicious damage, 23 nuisance persons, 39 suspicious activity, 23 alarms (all false), 21 property damage, three personal injuries due to accidents, eight Fire Department assists, eight ambulance assists, and 18 citizen assists.

Also, seven disabled motor vehicles, two runaways (both returned), six civil disturbances, eight found property, 19 traffic complaints, two motor vehicle tows, three insecure buildings, and 36 miscellaneous calls.

On August 8th, **Michael M. Ross**, 807 Union Street, West Springfield, was arrested and charged with shoplifting. Arresting officers were Ben Moore and Steven Draghetti.

On August 9th, **Rodney D. Keenan**, 136A Lockhouse Road, Westfield, was arrested and charged with an outstanding Agawam Police Department warrant. Arresting officers were Paul Murphy and Brian Connor.

On August 9th, **William Christy**, 188 Edendale Street, Springfield, was arrested and charged with an outstanding Agawam Police Department warrant. Arresting officers were Steven Draghetti and Eric Lottemoser.

On August 9th, **Julie Provost**, 45 Sunset Terrace, Longmeadow, was arrested and charged with an

outstanding Agawam Police Department warrant. Arresting officers were Richard Light, Jr. and Donald Gallerani.

On August 11th, **Theodore R. Stamps**, 116 Federal Street, Springfield, was arrested and charged with being a disorderly person. Arresting officers were Robert Landers, Peter Bertera, and Paul Murphy.

On August 11th, **Judith Deforge**, 155 River Street, West Springfield, was arrested and charged with driving under the influence of alcohol. Arresting officers were Robert Marsh and Richard Conlon.

On August 11th, **Wade C. Cortis**, 71 High Street, Apartment 11, Agawam, was arrested and charged with an outstanding State Police warrant. Arresting officers were Dan Ciak and Michael Gruska.

On August 11th, **Norman A. Ringuette**, 15 Porter Drive, Agawam, was arrested and charged with driving under the influence of alcohol. Arresting officers were Eric Camerlin, Michael Gruska, and Mark Ceccarini.

On August 12th, **John E. Iellamo**, 14 Leonard Street, Agawam, was arrested and charged with being a fugitive from justice. Arresting officers were Steven Draghetti and Richard Conlon.

On August 13th, **Gary L. Dennick**, 22 Royal Street, Agawam, was arrested and charged with an outstanding West Springfield Police Department warrant. Arresting officers were Daniel Ciak and Gary O'Brien.

On August 13th, **Luke A. Green**, 46 Forest Park Avenue, Springfield, was arrested and charged with operating after suspension. Arresting officers were Joe Edwards and Keith Bopko.

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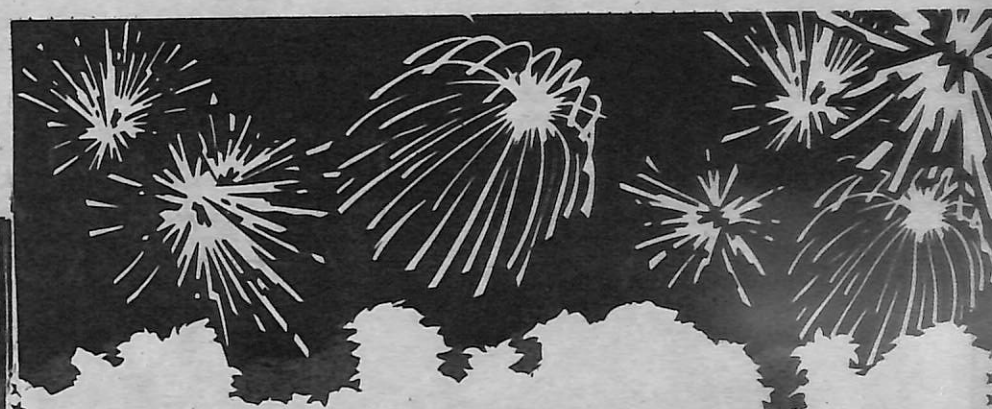
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Families

Adult Day Center Sets Open House

An open house is scheduled for Tuesday, August 23rd, from 2:00 to 6:00 p.m., at the new **Elder Haven Inc., Adult Day Center**, 340 Springfield Street, Agawam, near O'Brien's Corner.

Elder Haven is already operating one center in Westfield at 24 Clifton Street. **Elder Haven**, a social day center, offers an innovative care alternative for the elderly and their families.

The idea behind the new care center sprang from Dr. Joseph Keenan and his wife, Christine, who is a registered nurse.

They found a personal need for adult day services for an elderly relative.

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Elder Haven will open its second center at 340 Springfield Street, Agawam, next week. The public is invited to the open house on Tuesday, August 23rd, from 2:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Further information can be obtained by calling 789-4311 or 568-0555, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

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Curran Jones Donates To Senior Center



RICHARD CURRAN (right), an Agawam resident and president of Curran Jones Funeral Homes, presented a donation to Agawam Council on Aging to help with the refurbishing of the COA's Senior Center facility on Wright Street. The gift was presented during Curran's slide show and discussion regarding his recent trip to the People's Republic of China. Curran is presenting the check of Richard Mundo, executive director. COA members in photo are, from left - Laura Dugan, Viola Smith, Henry Alvigini, Stanley Syniec, and Ruth Zucco (volunteer).

Sgt. Bruce Holden Completes Florida Training

Staff Sergeant Bruce N. Holden, son of Marie Y. Stebbins and stepson of retired Army Master Sergeant Charles E. Stebbins of 12 Federal Street Extension, Agawam, recently completed the clinical training portion of the medical service specialist career field at Eglin Air Force Base Regional Hospital, Florida.

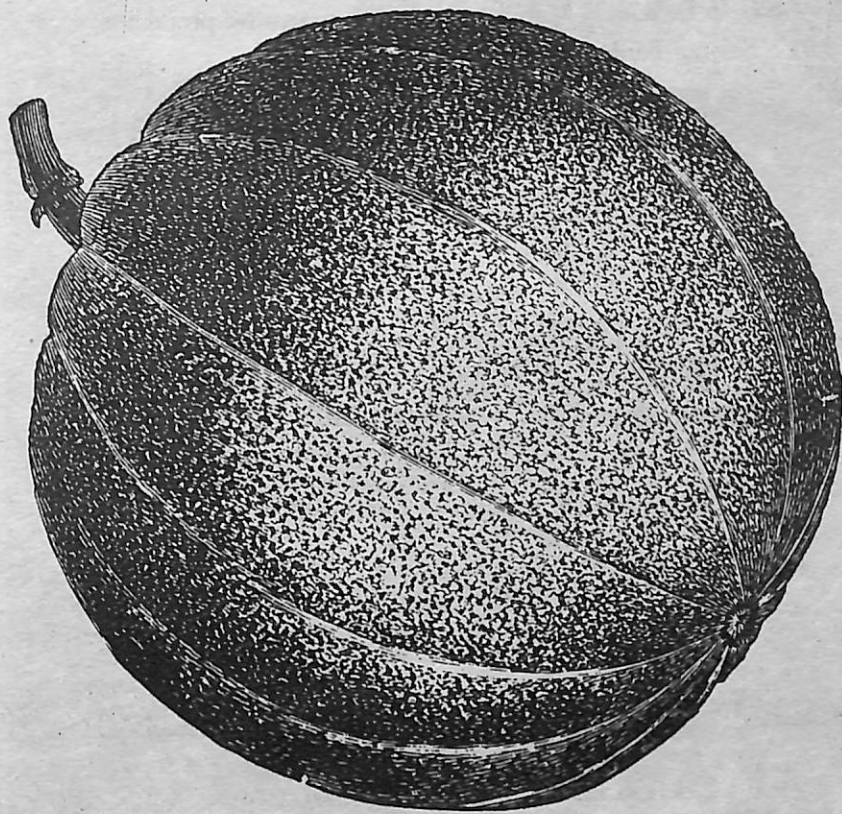
Students initially received a 16-week medical

specialist fundamental course at Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas, where they were taught the rudiments of hospital procedures, nursing care, and emergency medical treatments. The clinical phase honed nursing techniques and provided instruction in communications and emergency vehicle operations.

He is a 1970 graduate of Agawam High School.

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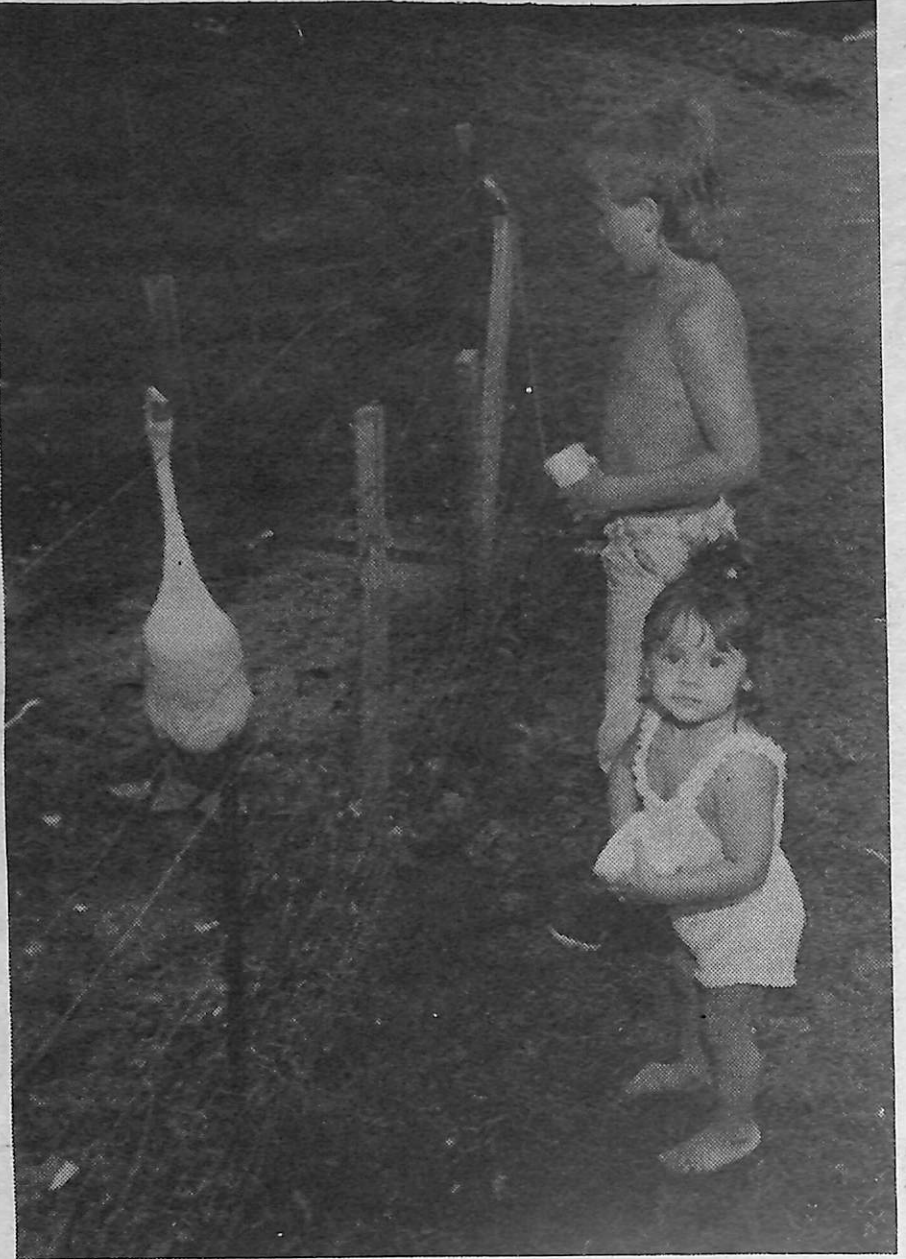
Animals Popular At Old Sykes Mill



ANNIE ROGERS, 1½, watches geese after enjoying her ice cream at Old Sykes Mill (country store) on Main Street, located directly across from the lights on Main Street and River Road. IN PHOTO RIGHT, Annie is joined by Joey Pietrantonio, 7. Old Sykes Mill offers delicious homemade fudge as well. Stop by with the family and enjoy. Advertiser News photos

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Fitness First Celebrates Owner's 30th Birthday



PAULA WELKER is pictured with her husband, Kurt, at her surprise 30th birthday party. Both are familiar faces around Fitness First Health & Racquetball Club in Feeding Hills. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

EMPLOYEES & FRIENDS OF FITNESS FIRST HEALTH & RACQUETBALL CLUB in Feeding Hills surprised co-owner Paul Welker with a 30th birthday party last Friday night in Alexander's Restaurant, located on the first floor of the facility. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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Penny & Bob Martineau Honored On 25th Anniversary

Penny & Bob Martineau of Feeding Hills were surprised by 140 friends and relatives who gathered to honor their 25 years of marriage. The celebration took place Saturday, July 23rd, at St. Kazmiere's in Turners Falls, where their reception was held 25 years ago on July 20th, 1963, after their marriage in St. Mary's Church.

Jo-Anne Casey of Turners Falls, Penny's sister and her maid of honor, helped organize the event along with Rhonda & Jay Martineau, children of the couple.

Chuck Martineau of White Plains, New York, brother of Bob and his best man, honored the couple with a speech and toast.

Among the guests were Penny's father, Edward Sojka of Turners Falls, and Bob's mother, Isabelle McCarthy, also of Turners Falls. They, along with the rest of those in attendance, enjoyed a wonderful evening of dancing and merriment.

The Martineaus received an anniversary cruise to Bermuda.



BOB & PENNY MARTINEAU of Feeding Hills celebrated their 25th with 140 friends and relatives in Turners falls on Saturday, July 23rd.



BOB & PENNY MARTINEAU on their wedding day following a ceremony at St. Mary's Church, July 20th, 1963.

Lee & Holly LeFebvre Celebrate 25th Anniversary

Lee & Holly LeFebvre of 70 Meadow Street, Agawam, recently celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary at their home.

Family and friends were present as they renewed their vows during an afternoon ceremony planned by the couple's daughters, Lisa Ferreira and Kelly.

The ceremony was presided over by Reverend Benjamin Lockhart of Agawam.



LEE & HOLLY LEFEBVRE celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary at their home. The couple renewed their vows.

Polish American Auxiliary Slates Tag Sale Sept. 24th

The Women's Auxiliary of the Polish American Club of Agawam is sponsoring a Tag Sale to raise money for their scholarship fund.

The Tag Sale will be Saturday, September 24th, from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., at the Polish American Club Grounds, 139 Southwick Street, Feeding Hills. Rental space is \$15, and checks may be made payable to the P.A.C. Women's Auxiliary.

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THE FLUTE SECTION, from left - Lisa Prefontaine, Tara Melbourne, Sean Meagher, and director Sally Lowell. In back (left) is instructor Dan Pilegi. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



THIS TUBA IS almost as big as me - Patrick Arnold contributes at the outdoor concert. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



THE CLARINETS - Laura Asta-Ferrero, Joe Bianca, Jeff MacKechnie (teacher), Sean Rose, Jesse Mueller, and Steve Lanier. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



MIDDLE SCHOOL BAND INSTRUMENTALIST Ken Longstreet plays the Summer Band. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



BEGINNERS TRUMPETS - Michael Perry, Adam Nading, Bob Fillion (student teacher), Therese Moccio (student teacher), Derek Poole, Adam Tebaldi, Jim Russell (student teacher). Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



ON TRUMPETS - Dominic Dermine, Therese Moccio, Michael McCormick, Ryan Bennett, Jim Russell, Bob Fillion, and Kelly Bolduc. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



DRUMMERS Todd Boskiewicz and instructor Jim Kallipolites. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

In Outdoor Concert At High School



SCHOOL INSTRUCTOR directs the band. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

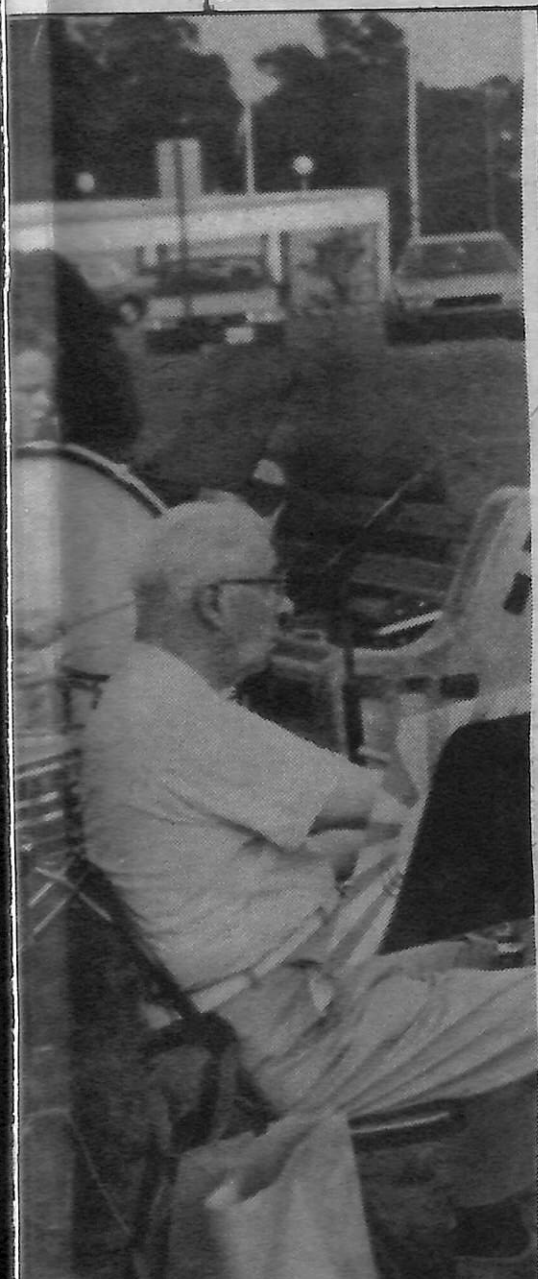


LISA PREFONTAINE on clarinet is pictured at the outdoor concert at the high school. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

FLUTE PLAYERS Chris Molloy (student teacher) and Kristin Michnovetz perform at the outdoor concert.



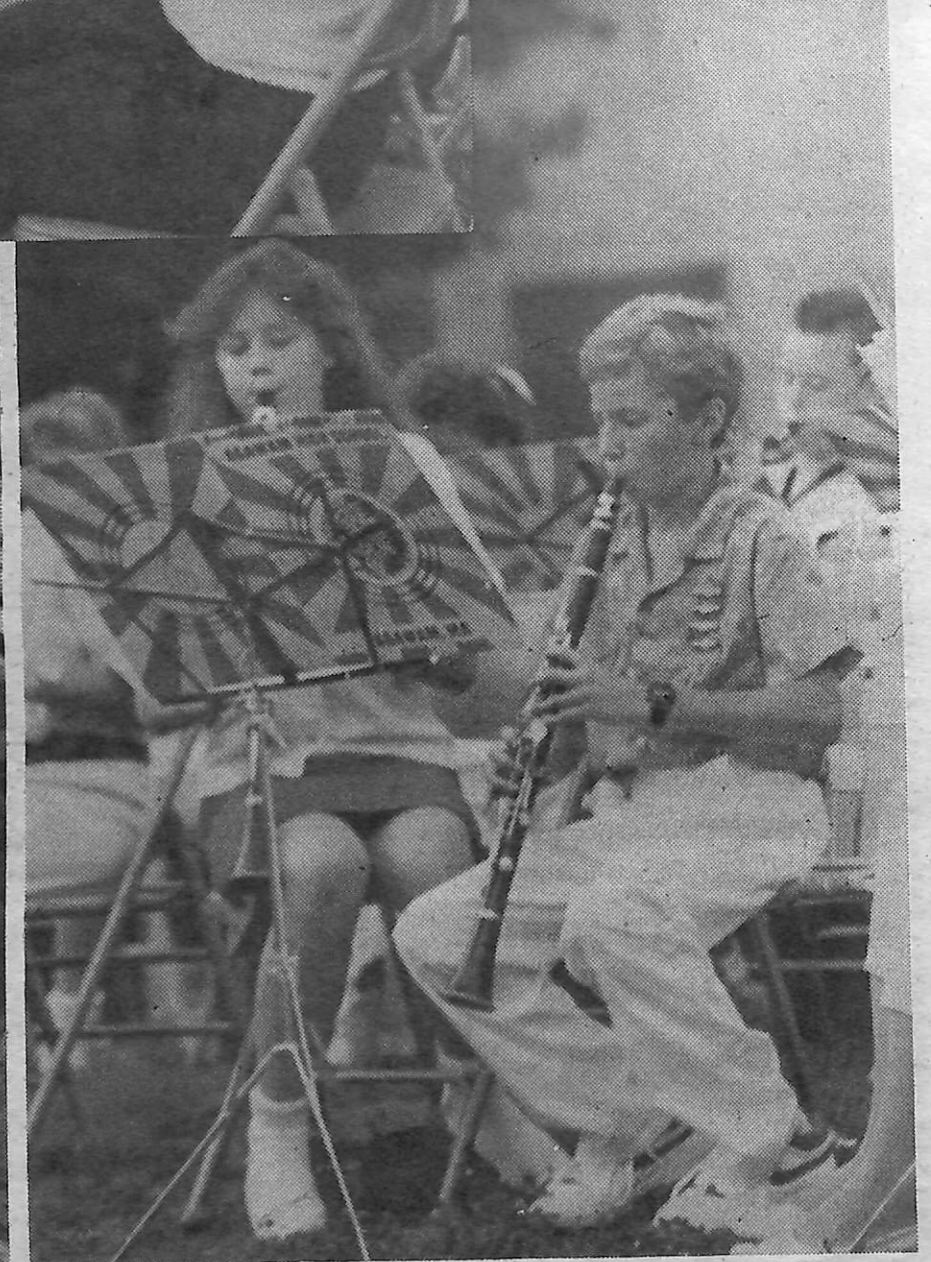
ON FLUTE - instructor Karen Jackobek, Laureen Seymour, and Lynn Carra. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



ewicz and Keith Long are pictured with the band. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

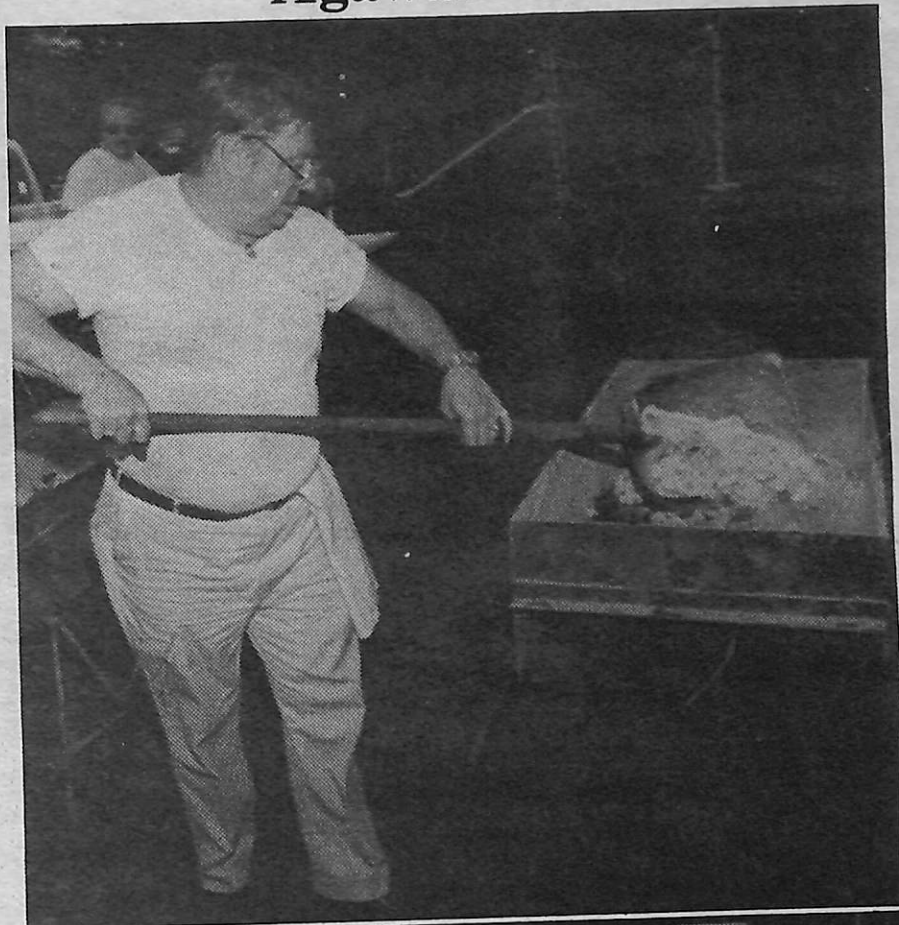


KIRK PARKER is a beginner on the trumpet who played at the outdoor concert with the Summer Band.

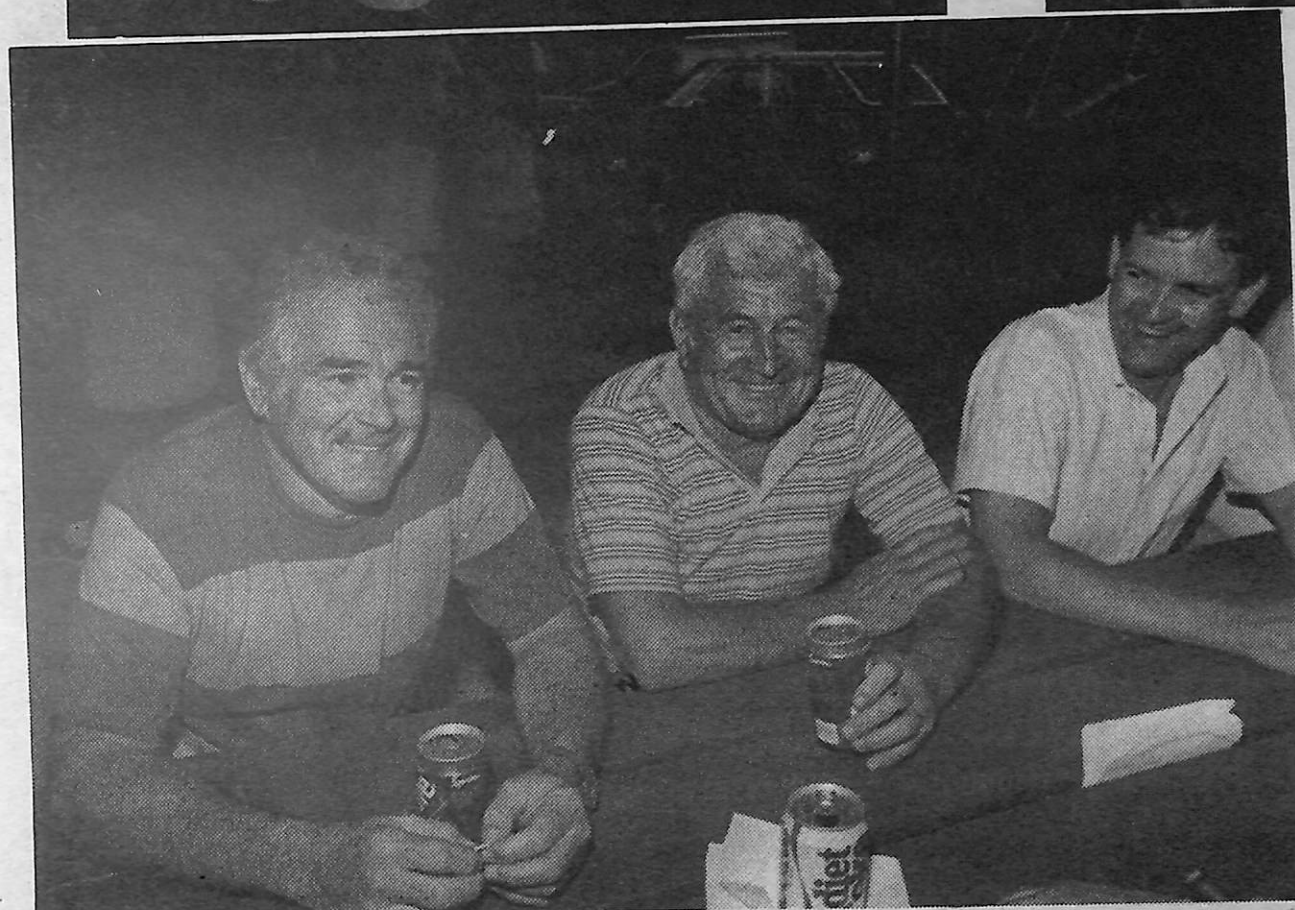


ADVANCED MEMBERS of the Elementary School Summer Band include Debra Parslow and Robert Settembro. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Agawam Lions Club Gathers For Annual Picnic



IN PHOTO TOP LEFT, Lions Club member Jim Loomis uses his shovel to move hot coals in the grill at the club's annual summer picnic; in photo top right, District Governor Dick Leary presents past President Harry Camyre with a plaque for the club's \$15,000 donation to Massachusetts Eye Research. Looking on is current President Tom Cascio, Jr. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.



West Side Class Of 1953 Planning 35th Reunion

The West Springfield High School Class of 1953 is holding their 35th year reunion in conjunction with the 26th Annual Homecoming of the West Springfield High School Alumni Association.

The affair will be held on Saturday, October 22nd, at the Colosseum Banquet House, West Springfield, and will consist of a smorgasbord dinner and dancing to music of all tastes provided by Donny Hart. Cocktails will be at 6:30 p.m., with dinner at 7:30 p.m., and dancing until 12:00 midnight.

Information is being mailed to all classmates but anyone else interested in attending is urged to contact any one of the following committee members: Phyllis (Franklin) Mason, Gloria (Hebert) Kerr, Betty (Sonsini) Groll, and Charles LaVallee.

AGAWAM LIONS CLUB MEMBERS recently gathered at the VFW pavilion on South Street for their annual summer picnic. Club members pictured above, from left - are Johnny Mercadante, Charlie Calabrese, and Bob Vanderhoof. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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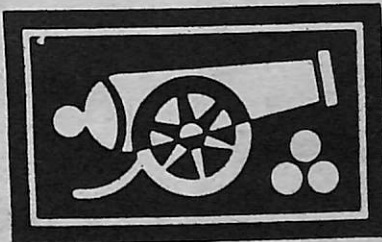
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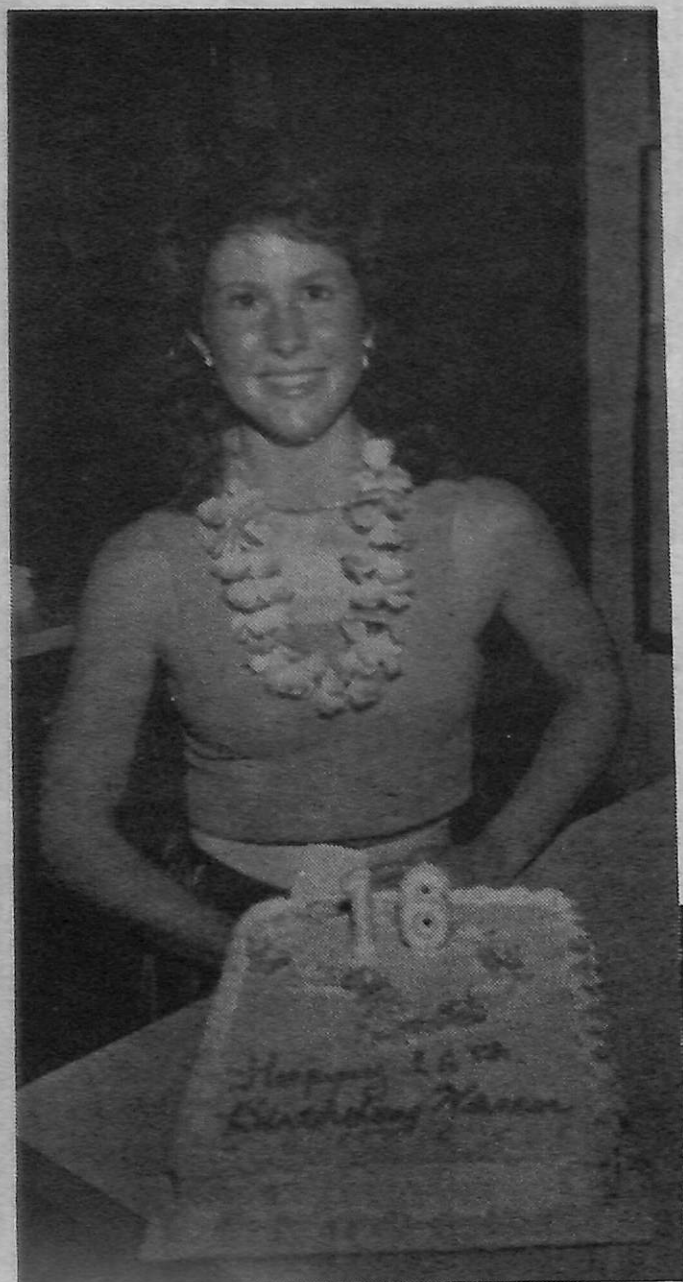


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16 Candles For Karen



AGAWAM HIGH VARSITY CHEERLEADER Karen Stuart of Roberta Circle, Agawam, celebrated her 16th birthday with a large group of friends at her home on Saturday evening, August 13th. Karen is the daughter of Mary Jane and the late Perry Stuart. Congratulations, Karen.

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The main difference between a good salad and a great one is how you dress it. Lettuce, cucumbers, tomatoes, and carrots are the basic foundation for many salads. Add some mushrooms, julienne strips of chicken, beef, ham and cheese and you've made it even more appetizing. But the real secret to a successful salad is the preparation of a first-class dressing.

Enhance an ordinary dressing with a few drops of premium cognac. These recipes for Creamy Dijon Courvoisier Dressing and Courvoisier French Dressing will distinguish your salads from the run-of-the-mill. The well-dressed salad will not only be a welcome change—it will always be in demand!

Dijon Courvoisier Dressing

Makes about 1 cup

- ¾ cup mayonnaise
- 3 tablespoons Dijon-style mustard
- 2 tablespoons Courvoisier
- 1 teaspoon sugar

Place all ingredients in blender or food processor, blend until smooth. Serve with salad greens or cooked vegetables.

Courvoisier French Dressing

Makes about 1½ cups

- ½ cup vegetable oil
- ½ cup heavy cream
- 2 tablespoons tomato paste
- 3 tablespoons Courvoisier
- ½ teaspoon salt
- ½ teaspoon sugar
- 1/8 teaspoon pepper

Place all ingredients in blender or food processor, blend until smooth.

Throughout our lives, a varied and nutritionally balanced diet is basic to good health, improving our prospects for good health.

Nutritionists agree that a healthy diet includes good quality protein. They suggest fish as a nourishing and relatively inexpensive way to get needed protein while adding variety and interest to the weekly meal plan.

Fish is low in fat and cholesterol. It's also a great source of important vitamins and minerals, as well as Omega-3, a fatty acid which appears to lower blood cholesterol levels.

To enliven your favorite "catch of the day," try this tasty recipe for Saucy Fish. It requires mayonnaise, margarine, parsley, dill, mustard, and onion, many of which are staples in today's kitchens. These combined ingredients make a light and zesty sauce that transforms even ho-hum fish fillets into an extra special meal.

And Saucy Fish is an ideal choice for those on low-fat, low-cholesterol diets since it's made with light mayonnaise and polyunsaturated margarine.

Easy to prepare—Saucy Fish can go from the

microwave oven to the table in the same dish.

Saucy Fish

(Total cooking time: 12 minutes)

- 3 tablespoons light mayonnaise
- 2 tablespoons chopped onion
- 1 teaspoon chopped parsley
- ½ teaspoon mustard
- 2 tablespoons liquid polyunsaturated margarine
- ½ teaspoon dill
- 3 or 4 individually wrapped, frozen fish fillets

Place fish in an 8-inch square microwave-safe baking dish. Combine first six ingredients in a small bowl and pour over fish fillets. Cover baking dish with plastic wrap. Microwave at Medium High (70 percent) for 12 minutes, turning dish once.

Chicken Fajitas, the latest Mexican taste treat to sweep the nation, can be easily and deliciously prepared at home. The recipe is simple: boneless chicken is briefly marinated in zesty lime juice and naturally brewed Kikkoman Soy Sauce before broiling. Although not a traditional fajita seasoning, the unique taste characteristics of brewed soy sauce enhance the flavor of the chicken while complimenting the tangy lime. Sautéed red and green pepper and red onion strips complete the filling and provide lively counterpoints of flavor. These vegetables also rely on brewed soy sauce for a special richness which creates a harmonious taste overall. Serving is also easy on the hostess because the guests assemble their own!

Chicken Fajitas

- ½ cup Kikkoman Soy Sauce
- ¼ cup lime juice
- 4 boneless chicken breast halves
- Peppers 'N Onions*
- 8 eight-inch flour tortillas, warmed
- Butter or margarine, softened

Combine soy sauce and lime juice; pour over chicken in large plastic bag. Press air out of bag; tie top securely. Marinate 1 hour; turn bag over occasionally. Reserving marinade, broil chicken 5 inches from heat 15 to 18 minutes, or until tender; turn over and brush occasionally with reserved marinade. Keep warm while preparing Peppers 'N Onions. Slice chicken into thin strips. To serve, spread tortillas with butter; wrap around desired amount of chicken and vegetables. Makes 4 to 6 servings.

*Peppers 'N Onions: Cut 1 large red pepper, 1 large green pepper and 1 red onion into ¼-inch thick strips. Sauté in 1 tablespoon vegetable oil in large skillet over high heat 4 minutes, or until tender. Stir in 1 tablespoon Kikkoman Soy Sauce.

News, Activities Slated At Senior Center

August 18th, Thursday: 5:30 p.m., Country Western Hoe-Down featuring "Country Spurs."

August 20th, Saturday: 6:30 p.m., Bingo. Doors open at 5:15 p.m.

August 22nd, 23rd, 24th: 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Class registrations for fall semester.

August 22nd, Monday: 10:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Senior Center video "Special Events."

August 23rd, Tuesday: 2:00 to 4:00 p.m., legal consultation with Attorney Teryl Jansons, by appointment.

August 25th, Thursday: 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., food distribution.

August 25th, Thursday: 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., foot nurses, by appointment.

August 27th, Saturday: 6:30 p.m., Bingo. Doors open at 5:15 p.m.

August 29th, Monday: 10:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Senior Center video "Special Events."

Learn To Run A Computer. The Senior Center has available a "Self Taught" computer learning program. You just slip it into the Center's IBM and off you go.

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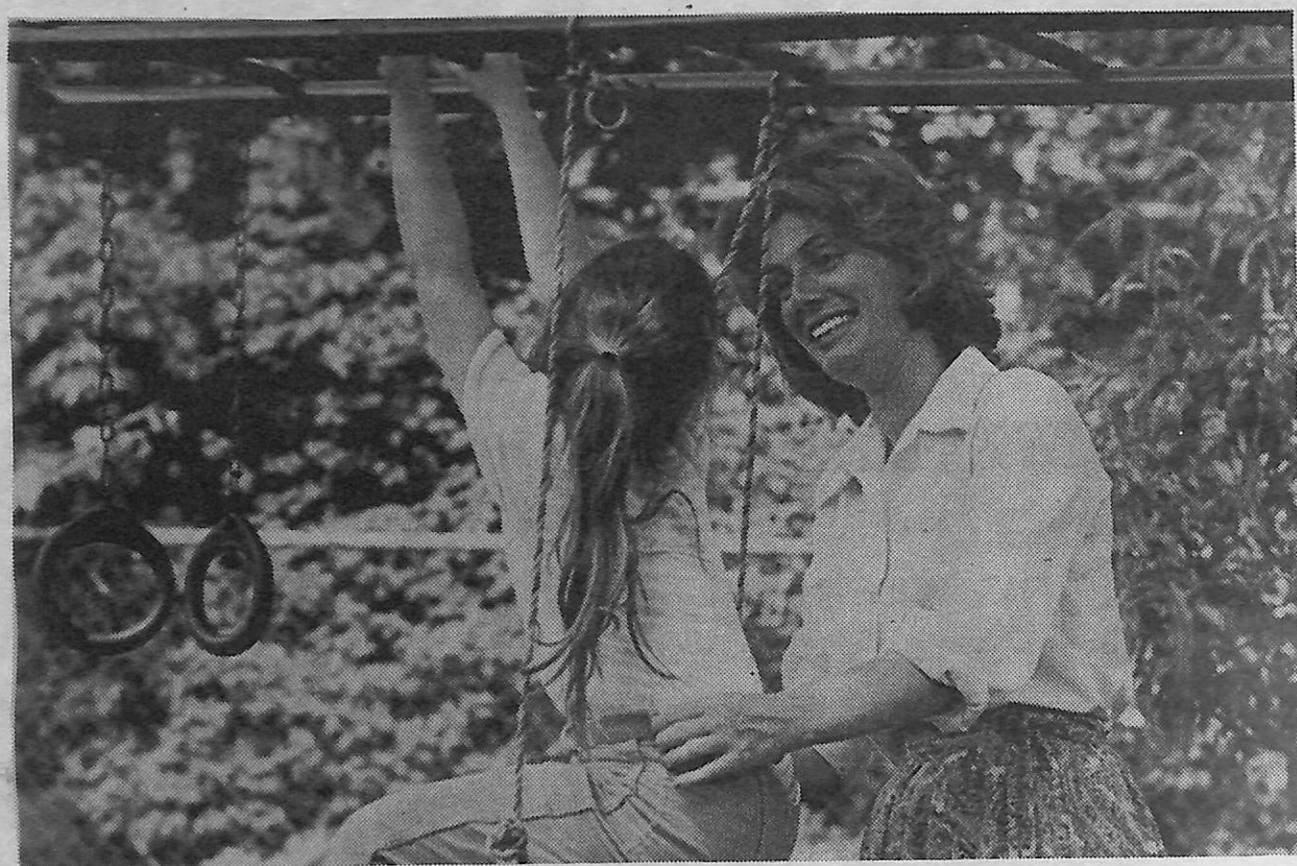
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Cub Scout Pack 75 Plans Sign-Up Date For Sept. 13th

Cub Scout Pack 75 sponsored by Sacred Heart Church, Feeding Hills, will have a sign-up night for Tiger Cubs and new Cub Scouts wishing to join their Pack, Tuesday, September 13th, at 7:00 p.m., at the Social Center on Springfield Street next to the church.

Tiger Cub is for any boy in first grade. Cub Scout-Wolf Rank is for any boy in second grade. Bear Rank is for the boys in third grade. Webelos Rank is for the boys in fourth and fifth grades. Webelos is now a two-year program.

For more information, call Cubmaster John Hallbauer or Chairwoman Nancy Hallbauer, 786-2309.

St. Anthony's Slates Annual Chicken Barbecue Sept. 4th

St. Anthony's Church, Maple Street, Agawam, will hold its 26th Annual Chicken Barbecue, Sunday, September 4th, at the Polish American Club, Southwick Street, Feeding Hills.

Continuous servings are from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. Tickets may be purchased at the door.

Springfield Planetarium To Close For Annual Maintenance

The planetarium at the Springfield Science Museum will be closed in September for annual maintenance. Planetarium shows will resume on Saturday, October 1st.

The Science Museum is a unit of the Springfield Library and Museums Association, a private, non-profit organization. The museum is located on the Quadrangle at the corner of State and Chestnut Streets in downtown Springfield. Hours are Tuesday through Sunday, 12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m.

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Upcoming Big E Has Many Special Days Slated

Special days focus on the interesting and different events that make each day unique at The Big E, "New England's Great State Fair," September 14th-25th in West Springfield.

Big E Discount Days, September 14th and 15th — On the first two days of the fair, admission is \$4, a \$2 savings on general admission tickets (Ages 14-59). Fairgoers can go on all the rides on the Magic Midway with the special \$6 pay one price discount package.

"State Days" at the Big E honor each of the New England States. Featured activities take place inside and outside the particular State Buildings and colorful marching band contingents from the state join The Big E's Daily Parade to entertain fairgoers.

Connecticut Day on Friday, September 16th, marks the 50th anniversary of the Nutmeg State's building on the Avenue of States. Special activities and "Connecticut Night Extravaganza" are planned.

Other scheduled State Days are as follows: Vermont Day on Sunday, September 18th; Rhode Island Day on Tuesday, September 20th; Massachusetts Day on Thursday, September 22nd; New Hampshire Day on Friday, September 23rd, and Maine Day on Saturday, September 24th.

Other special days that focus on unique events include:

Opening day Wednesday, September 14th, is West Springfield Day, sponsored by WestBank. The Big E salutes its hometown by honoring West Side citizens and hosting school children for a free visit. The West Springfield High School Band and town dignitaries will

be featured in the Daily Parade at 5:30 p.m.

On 4-H/FFA Day, Saturday, September 17th, The Big E hosts 20,000 members of 4-H and Future Farmers of America from all over the Northeast. During the day, they test their knowledge, skill and talents in competition involving livestock and in other agricultural areas.

Clorets Chili Cook-off Day also featured on Saturday, September 17th, spotlights competing cook-off teams, who start early in the morning to prepare the "one and only" pot of chili. In the early afternoon, judges taste each recipe and award prizes.

Shriners' Day, Monday, September 19th, presents the familiar and entertaining Shriners' contingents, including clowns full of antics, who march in The Big E's Daily Parade at 5:30 p.m.

Hurricane of '38 Day on Wednesday, September 21st, commemorates the time 50 years ago when the storm struck the fairgrounds. Pictures and memories of people who were at the fair during the storm make this historical recollection come alive in the New England Center.

On Grange Day, Sunday, September 25th, The Big E salutes the 50th anniversary of the Grange Building, which was built in 1938, through the combined efforts of the six New England States.

At The Big E, every day is special. Free family entertainment is featured daily throughout the fair, plus midway rides, traditional fair foods, agricultural and livestock exhibits and competitions, shows specially for children, and more.

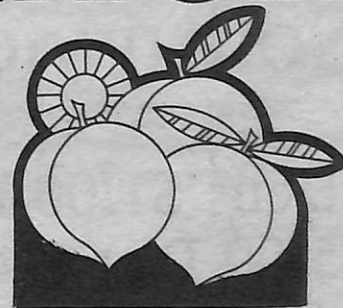
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Heritage Hall News & Activities

RESIDENT OF THE WEEK Lillian Mesquitta

Lillian was born in New Bedford, Massachusetts, October 1st, 1897. She also had two sisters, Marie Lash of Maine and Elsie Gravel of West Springfield. Both sisters left the New Bedford area soon after they were married.

Lillian stayed on, working in the cotton mills for 18 years and caring for her elderly parents. When they died, she moved to West Springfield to be near her sister, Elsie.

Hearing of her parents' deaths was an old friend and former neighbor, Manuel Mesquitta. He came to visit Lillian. After a short courtship, they were married in Ludlow and moved back to New Bedford. Manuel inherited a barbershop from his father and he continued to carry on the business for many years.

After Manuel's death 13 years ago, Lillian again came back to the West Springfield area and her sister. She has been a communicant of St. Michael's Church in Springfield where she was active in the Society for St. Anthony and St. Jude.

Lillian also has several nieces and nephews in Maine. She enjoys reading, sewing, and her specialty is making hairpin lace.

She leads an active life at Heritage Hall participating in numerous activities and social events.

I Remember by Gladys Samson

"As a child who was born and brought up in Hartford, Connecticut, I lived next door to a family—two children, a boy and a girl. The father was a doctor and the mother was a suffragette lady who used to be out most of the time speaking and lecturing. The doctor was a wonderful man and had a very prosperous clientele.

"One day I overheard a commotion next door and found out that the boy had hung himself, a very sad time for all. No reason was given. The girl was quite a pert, freckle-faced redhead who had a mind of her own. She used to ride her bicycle over my dad's front lawn and when he would reprimand her, she would stick her tongue out at him and keep on going.

"She was eight years younger than me and quite a mischievous young lady, full of pep. Being that much

older than she was, I never did play with her, but she still continued to ride over dad's lawn whenever she felt like it.

"When I see her now on the screen, I can almost see the pert, freckle-faced redhead that used to ride my poor dad to death. You wonder who I am talking about. My neighbor who is called by her real name is Katherine Hepburn, the movie star."

Christmas In August

Everyone knows Christmas is still months away. Yet residents of Heritage Hall are thinking about it now. Ornaments for Christmas trees are being cut and stuffed. Residents and volunteers are also working on stuffed animals and pillows. The Santa's Elves of Heritage Hall will be busy with preparation for the bazaar from now until November.

I Remember

by Florence Way

"I remember a rainstorm that Springfield had in either August or September 1938.

"I was employed by the William Carter Company on Morris Street at the time. It started to rain early in the afternoon and by 3:00 p.m., it was coming down very heavy. The sewers could not take the water fast enough to drain it from the roadways. The busses were only running on Main Street.

"A group of us girls finally decided to walk home. We made it to the corner of Maple and Center Streets and took a look at the water racing down upper Central Street. It looked like a waterfall! Everyone was deciding what to do when I happened to turn around and saw my brother's car. He had a hard time figuring out just which route I had taken to get home. He finally got all the girls to their homes safe and sound, thank God!"

Tom Bilodeau Entertains At Heritage Hall

On Saturday, August 6th, residents of Heritage Hall were entertained by the talented accordion player and singer, Tom Bilodeau. Everyone joined him in a sing-a-long. He played many all-time favorites including, "The Beer Barrel Polka," "When Irish Eyes Are Smiling," and "You Are My Sunshine."

Residents had a great time and are eagerly awaiting his return. Heritage Hall would like to extend a sincere thank-you to Tom for sharing his time and talents with them.



HERITAGE HALL RESIDENTS Emma Gamlin (left) and Magdalen Fleming (right) pictured with mascot "Daisy." Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



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Babycare Class On Tap Sept. 8th At Providence

The Center for Women's Health at Providence Hospital, is pleased to announce an exciting new class designed for expectant parents.

The Babycare Class will focus on newborn care, normal postpartum adjustment and feelings, and will address the most common concerns of new parents. Liz Howard, coordinator of Family Health Education, explains, "This program is especially helpful for first-time parents. We are hoping that the class will ease the transition into parenthood and will provide the necessary information and support to assist parents in feeling more confident in their new role."

The Babycare Class will meet for two hours, and in addition to highlighting the basics of newborn care, it will also provide a special focus on the bonding experience, safety concerns, and a unique component on the father's experience and role as a new parent. The class will also explore the newborn's sensory capabilities immediately following birth and in the first few weeks of life.

The Babycare Class will be taught by Sally Howland, BSN, and her husband, Lincoln Fish, M.E.M., who, are themselves, new parents. Ms. Howland has had seven years of pediatric nursing experience prior to becoming a new mother. "Although no one can fully prepare for the demands of parenthood, it is important to become familiar with the fundamentals of newborn care. Having the opportunity to learn about the baby before delivery gives new parents time to become comfortable with the many demands and skills needed for parenthood," said Ms. Howland.

The next Babycare Class will meet on Thursday, September 8th, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., in the Women's Health Education Room 301, at Providence Hospital. Class size is limited, so pre-registration is required. The fee for the class is \$10 per person/couple.

For more information, please contact Ms. Howard, at the Center for Women's Health, 539-2955, Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Person's Lifestyle Has Long-Term Effects

by Gary I. Schechter, M.D.
Agawam Medical Center

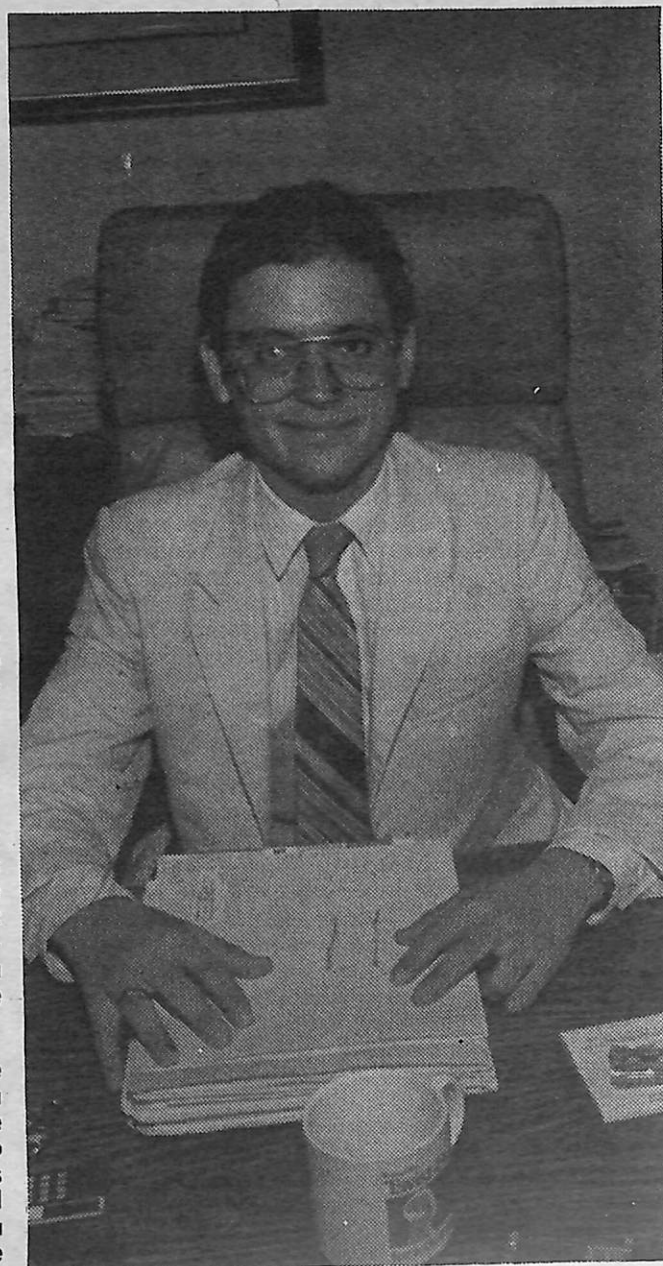
A person's lifestyle goes a long way in determining whether they will live a long, high-quality life, or whether they will be burdened with persistent and disabling health problems.

Your family doctor is a good person to turn to for advice and education on making sure that you are doing everything you can to insure that your life follows that first course. We know that the chances for a healthy and high-quality life are enhanced by common sense measures such as well-rounded nutrition, not smoking, controlled moderate drinking, and regular exercise.

However, there is much that we can do in taking advantage of our 20th century technology to help insure a productive healthful future. Research has shown that high levels of stress and tension in your work and family life can make you more susceptible to disease by impairing your immune system and thereby increasing the frequency and severity of infections.

Numerous diseases are, in fact, actually caused by chemicals and nerve signals that your body makes as a physical response to stress. These include migraine headaches, hives, irritable bowels, ulcers, and panic attacks. If you are experiencing some of these symptoms and know yourself to have a high anxiety level, a board certified family practitioner is probably in the best position to help you control these problems.

Recent studies publicized on ABC's 20/20, indicate that though it may be unsafe to wear only lap belts in a car, especially if they are worn too high up on the trunk, wearing seatbelts properly low down on the lap and especially the addition of shoulder harnesses makes the death rate from traffic accidents at legal speeds almost nil. It is quite clear that promotion of a healthy lifestyle goes a long way to insure your future health, perhaps surpassed only by working on these matters hand in hand with a concerned and caring family doctor.



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YOUR Dental Health

by Dr. Stephen R. Jacaparo
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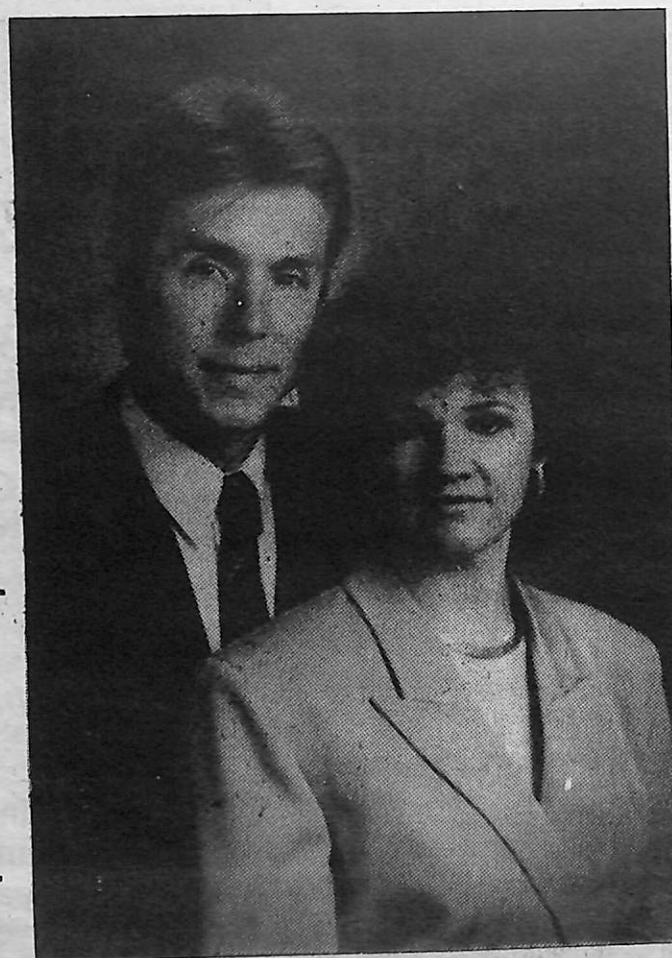
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Eligible elderly in Agawam are being offered the latest concept for senior housing with 10 units in the new Danahy Schoolhouse apartments.

Congregate Housing is a combination of shelter, service, and sharing for the qualified elder who does not require the constant supervision or intensive health care services as provided in an institution. It means different things to different people. It offers a range of alternative living arrangements that allow older persons to remain independent for as long as possible.

Each person occupies a private room with half-bath and shares the kitchen, dining, and lounge/living areas. Also shared are two full bathrooms. All units are on the second floor of the Schoolhouse and are served by an elevator. Each is wired for cable TV.

This form of alternative housing is for persons 62 years-old and over who are ambulatory and able to perform the activities of daily living, either independently or with help from available support services.

In Agawam, the Senior Center provides transportation, nutrition, and some health services. This form of housing is appropriate for persons who find they are no longer able to maintain their homes, or who may no longer be able to live with a relative or a friend.

Or, they may be presently in a nursing home but are now able to resume an independent lifestyle such as is offered by congregate housing. Provided each meets the eligibility requirements, a married couple could choose congregate housing; also, siblings who are trying to care for each other as well as cope with the maintaining of a home or apartment, are welcome to apply.

Residents in congregate housing represent a broad mix of ages and capabilities. Sharing, which is a normal part of everyone's everyday life, is an integral part of congregate housing. Responsibilities are also shared; helping is shared according to one's abilities, and it is this sharing which gives life to the congregate unit.

Persons in congregate housing have a positive attitude and feel in control of their own lives as an alternative to dependent (institutional) living. If you have a friend or a relative now in a nursing home whom you think might be eligible for congregate housing and be happier in such an independent environment, why not seek more information?

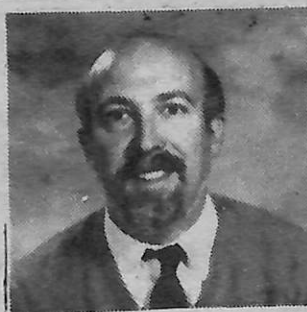
Not everyone is qualified or will enjoy congregate housing, and there are eligibility requirements and guidelines to be followed.

Call the Agawam Housing Authority, or stop in at the office in Meadowbrook Manor, Wright Street, for information and an application. The available 10 units will be ready for occupancy soon.

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MANAGING YOUR STRESS

by Dr. Stephen Sobel
M.S., S.M.C.



Almost with disbelief and some alarm, our children will be returning to the classrooms within the next few weeks.

This "transition" can be very anxiety producing for the entire family, but there are some things that we can do to minimize some of the crises and stressful circumstances. You may want to start to consider the suggestions as they pertain to your specific situations:

1. ROUTINES—For many parents and children, back to school means new routines and schedules that are often more hectic than the summer.

Explain and discuss with your children, as best you can, what the new schedules are, what is expected of them, and do they have any ideas on how to make things easier.

Too often, the child's point of view is not asked for, especially if the new schedules and routines are "dictated" to the child the day or two before the new schedules actually start!

Children feel much better and demonstrate increased self-esteem when mom and/or dad asks what they think (even if the child's ideas aren't especially "useful").

2. WITH YOUNGER CHILDREN, the transition back to school might be more difficult, as it is harder to separate from their mom and/or dad. This is especially

true with a child's first pre-school or kindergarten experience.

Parents may want to find out their particular school's policy or philosophy on accompanying their child to school the first few days, and how they (the school) deals with those situations.

3. PAY CLOSE attention to frequent complaints by children (and even older children) that may indicate stressful feelings. These may include, but are not limited to stomach aches, loss of appetite, sleeping problems, unusual "distancing" (or unusual clinging to a parent) from a parent, or headaches.

4. IT IS IMPORTANT FOR PARENTS to continue to try and resolve any of their own problems before dealing with their children. Although this is easier said than done, let's keep in mind that parents under stress are in fact big stressors for children and can complicate the entire situation.

5. ASSIGN HOUSEHOLD CHORES and responsibilities as school starts, only if a child is "developmentally" ready for the particular chore.

Example: A 16 year-old may be able to prepare some part of a meal, whereas it might be inappropriate and asking for trouble to ask a 12 year-old to do the same thing.

Make your expectations as clear as possible, and answer any of your child's questions. Be especially concerned about any health and safety issues.

5. ASK YOUR CHILD'S TEACHER/INSTRUCTOR what is a good time during the week to speak to them with minimal interruptions for 10-15 minutes if these are concerns which you feel the teacher should know about or vice versa.

NOTE: Dr. Sobel can be reached at 785-1259. He services adults and children. Parent-Teacher Organizations and other school groups frequently ask Dr. Sobel to speak to their groups. Schedule permitting, Dr. Sobel is happy to meet your group to discuss issues/concerns (Dr. Sobel is a former school administrator as well!!)

Agawam Lions Cooking For Heritage Hall

The Agawam Lions Club will barbecue chicken for approximately 500 residents and their family members at Heritage Hall Nursing Centers, Saturday, August 20th, from 3:00 to 6:00 p.m. Rain date is Sunday, August 21st.

The event will take place under the big tent on the grounds of Heritage Hall, 55 Cooper Street, Agawam. Entertainment will be provided throughout the

festivities.

Tickets may be purchased at Heritage Hall between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., in the business offices of each building. Cost of the tickets is \$5 for adults and \$2.50 for children 12 years-old and under. Tickets may be purchased in advance.

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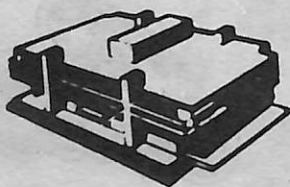
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Spotlight On Business...

Unique Storage New Concept For Dealing With Space Problems

by Christine Piesyk
Advertiser News Staff

"People think we supply storage space, like a warehouse. We don't."

What Feeding Hills residents Bill & Donna Daubmann do is create enough closet and cabinet space that makes the need to rent storage space obsolete.

Two-and-a-half years after taking the part-time plunge into self-employment, the Daubmanns now run **Unique Storage Systems** as a full-time, six and sometimes seven-day-a-week operation, bringing their space-saving concepts directly to the customer.

Their "bring-it-to-the-customers concept is by way of a travelling-showroom - a 14-foot bed truck equipped with mounting shelving samples and, wealth of ideas.

"We got started in this by accident," Daubmann told us, "and the subsequent decision to do this full-time was a very big step for us.

"I can't believe we took this chance," Mrs. Daubmann adds, pointing out that the most difficult part of running their own business was making the decision to cast the security of "working for someone else" to the wind and gamble on their own ability and ingenuity.

Re-Spacing is the technique they promote. It's a system of customized shelving and rod space designed to double and triple existing storage space, be it in cabinets, closets, or cellars. The shelving used is vinyl-coated steel (often in a white finish but with other trims and finishes available).

Unique Storage services builders and contractors, private homeowners and apartment dwellers, and in short, anyone with a space or storage problem. The showroom goes right to the customer, although the actual business is based at the Daubmanns' Valley Brook Road home.

Unique Storage is a protected dealership serving the Greater Springfield area, the Berkshires, and Northern Connecticut. Recently, the Daubmanns contracted with Northampton-based Bob Matthews to create **Unique Storage II** to serve Hampshire and Franklin counties.

"The shelving units we install allow for ventilation and air circulation," Daubmann points out. "It eliminates musty closet odors and helps to keep things fresh and wrinkle-free."

One of the Daubmanns' most "unique" products is the "Iron-a-way" system, a wall-mounted mini-closet that houses a fold-down ironing board, storage for flat iron, electrical connections, and a lamp to light the work area.

This is an upscale, modernized version of the fold-down board found in many older homes, and eliminates the need for bulky boards that fall over and unfold in closets.

Unique Storage Systems has a 24-hour answering service to handle customer inquiries. Call **739-3230** or **786-3119** and the Daubmanns will be available to solve your storage problems.



BILL & DONNA DAUBMANN of Feeding Hills are owners and operators of **UNIQUE STORAGE SYSTEMS**. You can reach them by calling **739-3230** or **786-3119**. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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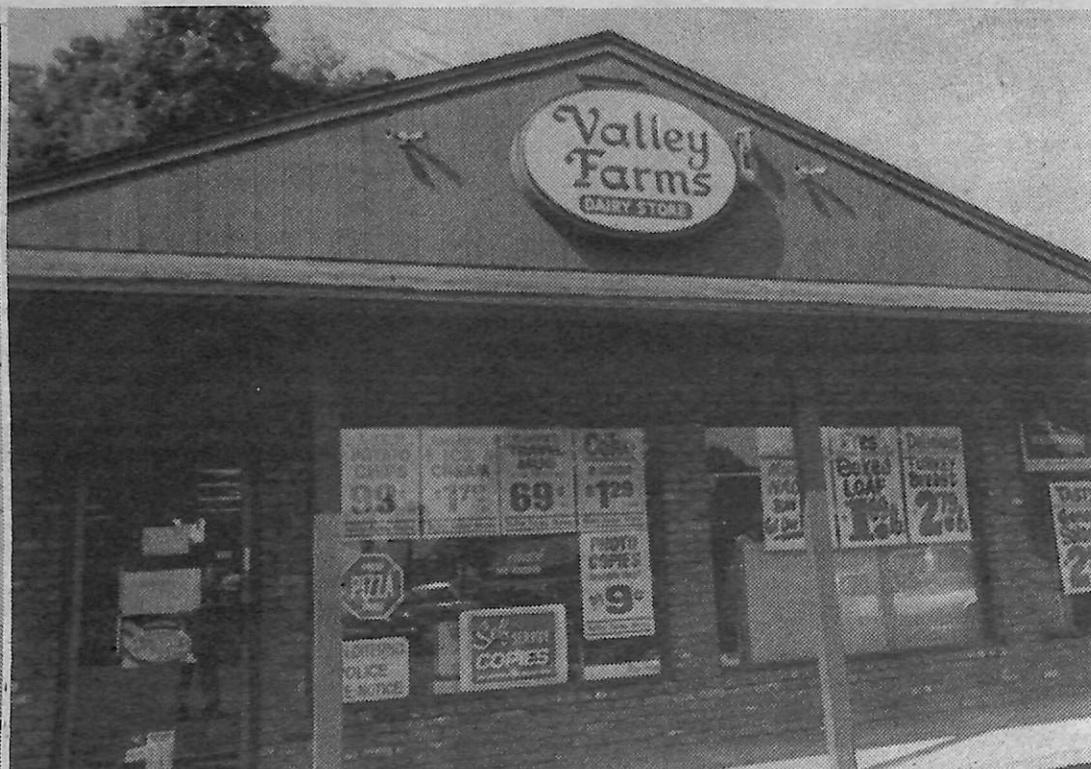
Spotlight On Business - continued...



VALLEY FARMS Manager Jeannette DiFlumera watches as employee Scott Johnson stirs kettle of homemade soup that is available at the store. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



MARY SHEAN is in-charge of the fresh deli-counter at Valley Farms Dairy Store. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



VALLEY FARMS DAIRY STORE is located in the Colonial Shops, Southwick Street, Feeding Hills Center. The store is open Monday - Sunday, 5:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Valley Farms Dairy Store Completes Store-Wide Facelift

by Christine Piesyk
Advertiser News Staff

There's a new look to one of Agawam's convenience stores.

Valley Farms Mini-Mart, located at 35 Southwick Street in Feeding Hills, has just completed a six-month renovation process that has made the outlet more than just your average convenience store.

The facelift and renovation included improving a bakery that produces homemade breads and other goodies on a daily basis; and a deli-service offering everything from pizza, chilli, and soups, to large grinders and sandwiches.

Store Manager Jeannette DiFlumora opens the store at 5:00 a.m., daily, though by the time the first customers drop-in for coffee, the smell of fresh bread is already wafting from the ovens.

The dairy section has been expanded to include yogurts, cheeses, and items not intrinsic to the "convenience" outlet concept.

Fresh lettuce and tomatoes, natural sodas, juices, milk, and frozen food sections are housed in new coolers. The store also stocks basic pantry needs, plus an assortment of items ranging from aspirin to stationery, to ice, to oil. You can also buy your lottery tickets along with the morning paper (and *The Agawam Advertiser News*, of course).

Mary Shean manages the new deli section, and Scott Johnson adds a friendly smile to the morning crew.

Valley Farms employs 14 people on its seven-day-a-week schedule. The store closes each night at 11:00 p.m.

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Big Home Show At Big E In November

There's no place like a brand new fall home show in Western New England according to more than 200 exhibitors who've already reserved nearly 400 booths for the November show on the Eastern States Exposition Grounds in West Springfield.

The Western New England Fall Home and Better Living Show will run November 3rd to 6th at the Better Living Center, featuring for the first-time-ever the cooperation of the National Association of the Remodeling Industry (NARI), whose expertise in the remodeling industry has been recognized nationwide for 46 years.

At a record-setting pace, businesses from the Western New England area are occupying more than 90 percent of all available space. "It's a record for a new promotion and the earliest booking of any new show of this type in the area," quoted Al Appleman of All Seasons Promotions, Inc., producer of this home show.

From gazebos to gutters, hot tubs to home computers, window treatments to woodstoves, the Western New England Fall Home and Better Living Show will feature home construction, home improvements, and home remodeling.

The novel idea of a new fall home show gives exhibitors a chance to feature pre-holiday sales and gives consumers a chance to get the jump on their remodeling, repair, home decorating and improvement ideas for 1989.

The first-ever fall home show will also highlight real estate and home furnishings, in addition to the more traditional remodeling, building, decorating, and repair.

The local chapter of NARI is supplying the producers with a large committee to help with this new show. They are Frank Ferrari, chairman; Bob Granger, Ben Gaulin, Joseph DeMontigny, Julie Ferrari, Vincent Ferrari, and John Sulikowski.

Fred Withee Back At Storowton Tavern

William F. Kavanagh, chief executive officer of Storowton Tavern, the popular Early American restaurant/banquet facility on the Eastern States Exposition grounds in West Springfield, announced that Fred Withee has returned to the establishment as general manager.

Withee, an Agawam native, served as assistant manager until March, 1987 when he assumed a position with Westvaco in Tampa, Florida.

A graduate of Western New England College with a degree in Business Administration, Withee is a 10-year Tavern employee who started as a dishwasher while

still in school, later working as busboy, waiter and bartender before assuming management duties.

According to Kavanagh, "We are all delighted to have Fred back as general manager. He and Bill Provost, banquet manager, comprise our top notch management team."

George Jones, Eastern States Exposition executive vice president, said, "Fred's years at the Tavern have provided a broad base of experience which can only be a great asset to the restaurant in future years, ensuring a continuation of the quality food and service the Tavern is known for."

Withee assumed his new duties August 8th.

Lynn Gatti Appointed Program Director At Hospital

Swampscott resident Lynn Gatti, formerly from Agawam, a registered nurse, was recently appointed program director of the Cardiac Rehabilitation Program at Shaughnessy-Kaplan Rehabilitation Hospital.

Before her recent promotion, Ms. Gatti served as the associate program coordinator at the hospital. Before she joined the Shaughnessy nursing staff eight months ago, she had been a staff nurse in Salem Hospital's Cardiac Care Unit since 1981.

"Ms. Gatti's background has given her extensive training in all areas of cardiac care," said Linda Henlotter, director of nursing at Shaughnessy-Kaplan. "Her clinical and leadership skills make her an ideal candidate for the program director position."

Ms. Gatti earned a bachelor's degree in nursing at Salem State College in 1980. Her professional memberships include the American Association of Critical Care Nurses, the Massachusetts Society of Cardiac Rehabilitation and the Professional Educational Task Force of the American Heart Association.

Travel Majic Under New Ownership

Joanne Ryan announced this week her recent purchase of the travel agency, Travel Majic, from Nancy Kozak. Travel Majic, located at 161 River Street, Agawam, has been owned by Mrs. Kozak for about four years.

Ms. Ryan said she does not plan on making any staff changes and that Mrs. Kozak has stayed on with Travel Majic as an outside salesperson.

Becoming computerized, Ms. Ryan's first priority, has just been completed with Travel Majic being connected to American Airlines' SABRE Travel Information Network computer, enabling the agency to give their clients faster service. Her future plans are also service oriented such as Broadway Shows bus trips which will include dinner, bus fare and tickets to top Broadway shows, such as *Cats* and *Starlight Express*, as well as Radio City Music Hall shows.

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Arts

Play It Again, Sam Well Done By Youth Theatre

by Phil Benoit
Advertiser News Entertainment Editor

For the past two decades, actor/writer/director Woody Allen has entertained movie audiences with his inimitable style of wry humor. However, Allen's wit is also quite infectious when produced before live audiences, as was demonstrated in *Play It Again, Sam*, the 1988 summer production by the Exit Seven Youth Players.

The three-act comedy, which opened on Friday, August 5th, had four performances for two consecutive weekends and closed on Saturday, August 13th. All shows were held at the Chestnut Street Theatre in Ludlow.

Set in New York City, *Play It Again, Sam* tells the comical story of Allan Felix (Bill Jackson), a 29 year-old man from Brooklyn who is undoubtedly one of the world's most devoted moviegoers. Since he works as a writer of reviews, essays, and other articles for a magazine titled *Film Quarterly*, his passion for the cinema meshes perfectly with his livelihood.

Unfortunately, the movies eventually contributed to the downfall of Allan's two-year marriage to Nancy (Kim Lynch), a spirited young woman who always yearned for adventure in her life, and thus, grew bored both living with Allan and doing nothing but watching motion pictures with him.

Now, with Nancy out of their apartment and faced with the prospect of entering the dating scene once again, Allan is overcome with much anxiety and fear. And, since he's a chronic neurotic to boot, the last thing that Allan needed to upset his life was a failed marriage.

But, as good luck would have it, our hapless hero has two good friends, Dick and Linda Christie (Jonathan Hebert and Ericka Kostka), who are willing to do anything they can to match him up with a prospective girlfriend. This married couple introduce Allan to a single young lady whom they know, and they are even willing to "chaperone" him, if you will, to make sure that he's calm enough to make a good impression on his newly-acquainted companion.

Yet, as bad luck would have it, Allan's nervousness unintentionally botches things up, and his later efforts to meet someone new also face similar results. And, as bad luck would also have it, he eventually develops amorous feelings for Linda, who, in turn, feels so neglected by her always busy-at-the-office husband that she unwittingly entertains the possibility of letting her "just friends" relationship with Allan develop into something of a more romantic nature.

Although it is one of his earlier works, Woody Allen's *Play It Again, Sam* bears the earmarks of the brand of comedy which would come to put Allen in a league all by himself. Snappy one-liners, self-mocking

commentaries, and Jewish-oriented humor are all to be found in this delightful and entertaining play, as well as an extremely amusing protagonist who is obviously based on the real-life Allen.

Moreover, *Play It Again, Sam* is a lovingly funny tribute to old movies, particularly those by the late, great Humphrey Bogart. Throughout this comedy, the character of Allan Felix is visited by "Bogey," a figment of his imagination who walks and talks like the legendary Bogart, and frequently appears on the scene to provide Allan with his worldly advice on how to handle women.

"Bogey's" conversations with Allan are reminiscent of the type of dialogue that you'd hear in an old-fashioned, black-and-white flick, and this Hollywood motif occurs throughout the play in a number of other situations, as when Allan and Linda Christie talk like Bogart and Ingrid Bergman from the classic film *Casablanca*.

The Exit Seven Youth Players did an outstanding job of staging *Play It Again, Sam*. Under the skillful direction of Roy Drew, the show ran without a hitch on the evening I saw it, and the overall polish of this production was a testament to the fact that much rehearsal and enthusiasm went into its making.

A great deal of credit must also go to lighting designers Jim McLaren and Doug Falconer, and lighting assistant Glen Dixon. Throughout the play, the character of Allan Felix not only talks to the audience about earlier events that happened to him, but he also reveals some of his thoughts.

To depict both these past occurrences and Allan's periods of daydreaming, the lighting crew had to lower the main stage lights and then put a spotlight on the person (or persons) who came onstage as a result of Allan "thinking" about them. On the night that I saw *Play It Again, Sam*, these important lighting changes were carried out flawlessly, as well as some other eye-catching lighting effects (such as the use of a motion-distorting strobe light).

The set design by director Drew and stage manager Lenny Lynch was also impressive to look at. Allan Felix's apartment was decorated with a variety of movie posters that represented such classics as *An American in Paris* and *Casablanca*, and present-day, acclaimed hits such as *Wall Street* and *A Room With a View*.

Besides enhancing the overall cinematic mood of *Play It Again, Sam*, these set-related accouterments served to perfectly complement the film-adoring nature of Allan Felix. And, as a final source of moviegoing atmosphere in this production, several rows of chairs in the front left section of the Chestnut Street Theatre auditorium were occupied by several actors early in

the show, and they sat in these chairs as though they were in a movie theater while they—and we—listened to the final minutes of dialogue from *The Maltese Falcon*.

As you can tell from this review, this production was very dependent on visually-oriented elements, and the highly proficient way in which these technical aspects were carried out was clearly evident to the entire audience.

As evidence of the outstanding job that they did, the 11 actors and actresses who comprised the cast of the Exit Seven Youth Players' *Play It Again, Sam* delivered energetic performances which proved that they were truly enjoying themselves on the stage.

A number of young ladies enter the life of Allan Felix and trigger a variety of emotions from him during the course of the play, and these supporting roles were well-played by their respective actresses: Heather Wages in the part of a photographer's assistant named Sharon Lake; Shelly Pietras as a nice Catholic girl by the name of Gina; Heather Colelli as the apparently promiscuous Vanessa; Christine Drew in the role of a go-go girl whom Allan attempts to dance with at a discotheque; Jennifer Palmer as a bizarrely intellectual girl whom Allan meets at a museum; and Karen Lewis in the part of Barbara, a new neighbor in Allan's apartment building.

As Allan's ex-wife, Nancy, Kim Lynch was quite funny as the kind of self-centered person who is quite easy to dislike. What's more, she was also humorous as the "dream" Sharon, an image that Allan thinks about before he meets the aforementioned Sharon Lake.

In the roles of Dick and Linda Christie, respectively, Jonathan Hebert and Ericka Kostka exhibited divergent and droll personalities. Hebert's character is a narrow-minded, workaholic yuppie who spends little time for his wife Linda, and Miss Kostka's is the kind of pretty young woman who somehow lacks the ability to accept and appreciate her own physical attractiveness.

Scott Dixon, as the imaginary "Bogey," looked great in the part with his fedora and trenchcoat, and his impersonation of Humphrey Bogart's voice and manner of speaking were first-rate. On occasion, this portrayal was successful in dominating the onstage action, thanks to Dixon's forceful and commanding presence.

And last, but certainly not least, Bill Jackson gave a hugely entertaining performance in the leading role of Allan Felix. With bogus red hair and black-rimmed spectacles, he brought to mind a youthful version of Woody Allen, and his physical appearance was greatly enhanced by a humorously credible Brooklyn accent and jittery gestures and mannerisms that accentuated his character's hopelessly lovesick and ever-neurotic temperament.

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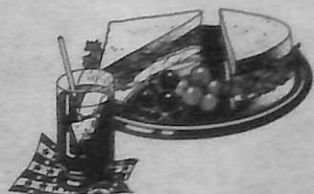
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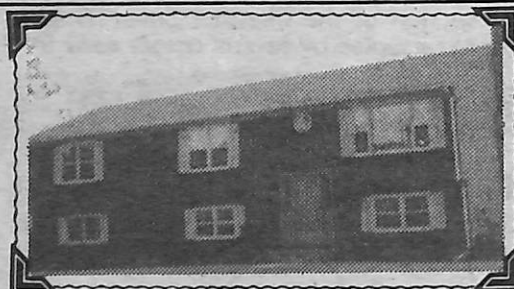
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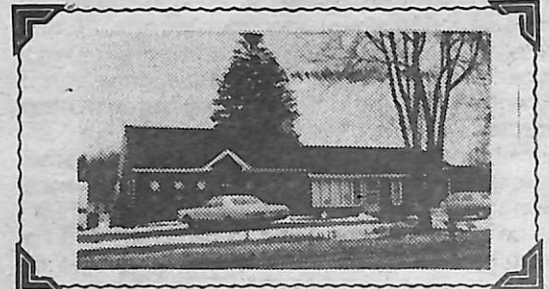
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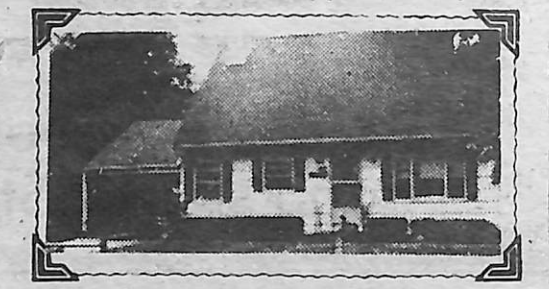
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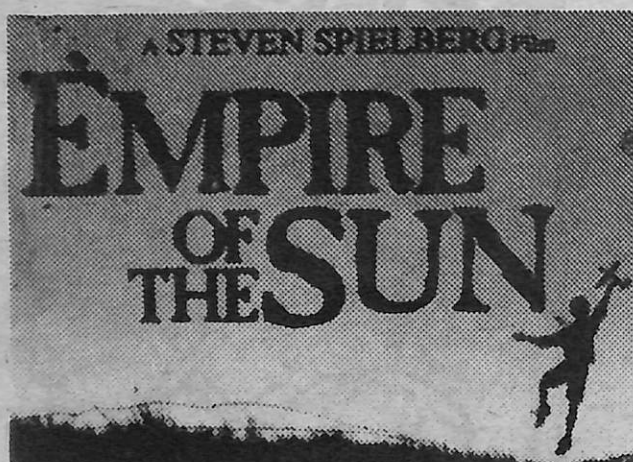
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PHILM REVIEW

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—Cocktail: 1½ STARS

Based on a novel of the same title by Heywood Gould and adapted for the screen by Gould himself, this lame drama stars Tom Cruise as an ex-serviceman who tries to earn fame and fortune for himself by becoming a hotshot, studly bartender at a swank Manhattan watering hole. But some time later, during a lengthy stay in Jamaica, he winds up falling in love with an aspiring artist (Elizabeth Shue) who frowns upon his "swinging singles" lifestyle and helps him to take a good look at his self-centered priorities.

Directed by Roger Donaldson, who gave us last summer's sultry political thriller *No Way Out*, *Cocktail* features fine acting from beginning to end. In the role of the film's protagonist, Cruise (*The Color of Money*) delivers an engaging portrayal which proves that he is one of the few performers in Hollywood who can play characters who are cocky and likable at the same time.

In addition, solid supporting performances are turned in by such cast members as Shue (*Adventures in Babysitting*) in the part of Cruise's love interest, and Australian actor Bryan Brown (*Tai-Pan*) as a cynical and worldly bartender who teaches Cruise the ropes in the early portion of the picture.

However, in spite of its high quality of acting, this movie is a sub-mediocre endeavor that's not worthy of a recommendation. Besides having the glitzy look of a music video and an ear-splitting soundtrack to boot, it is essentially a superficial and cliché-ridden melodrama which tackles the kind of all-too-familiar, yuppie-oriented crises that you can watch on any daytime soap opera.

Let's face it, folks; *Cocktail* is nothing but a vehicle for Cruise's boyish charm and undeniably magnetic charisma, and the legions of teenage girls who are his fans are sure to eat it up like cotton candy. Therefore, as far as I'm concerned, these pubescent patrons of motion pictures can have it.

—A Fish Called Wanda: 4 STARS

A hilariously entertaining comedy about the tumultuous events that follow the robbery of a fortune in British jewels, and how these unplanned-for occurrences lead one of the thieves—a young and sexy American woman (Jamie Lee Curtis)—to seductively disrupt the life of a married English barrister (John Cleese).

Under the superb direction of veteran British filmmaker Charles Crichton (*The Lavender Hill Mob*), *A Fish Called Wanda* is, undoubtedly, one of the funniest

movies to hit the silver screen in many years. Bearing a resemblance to the late Peter Sellers' *Pink Panther* farces, the work of the world-famous "Monty Python" troupe, and the 1986 box-office hit *Ruthless People*, this zany comedy is loaded with delightful surprises and unpredictably outrageous instances of humor that I won't dare spoil for those people who have yet to see it.

Suffice it to say that *A Fish Called Wanda* is the kind of uproarious picture which will shock you one moment and then leave you with your sides aching with laughter the next.

While I'd be remiss to reveal any additional details concerning its plot, I can tell you that this film showcases some of this year's most memorable portrayals. Representing one-half of the "Yankee" contingent of the cast, Curtis (*Perfect*) gives an erotically kooky performance that represents one of her best cinematic achievements to date, and her proficient acting exudes a sense of maturity and self-confidence which prove that her days as the heroine of low-grade, *Halloween*-ish thrillers are long behind her.

Throughout *A Fish Called Wanda*, Kevin Kline, an American actor who's best known for *The Big Chill* and *Silverado*, frequently steals the show in the role of Curtis' lascivious partner-in-crime. An ex-CIA agent who's definitely more than a bit crazy, Kline's character is a violence-prone lunatic whose outlandish vulgarity supplies the story with much of its humor.

Earlier in this review, I stated that the picture resembled the work of the renowned "Monty Python" comedy troupe, and this is definitely due to the fact that two of the troupe's original members, Michael Palin and the aforementioned Cleese, are invaluable performers in this movie's cast.

Michael Palin (*The Missionary*), in the part of a stuttering, weak-kneed British thug who's in cahoots with Curtis' and Kline's characters, is quite enjoyable to watch, and the various indignities which he endures during the course of *A Fish Called Wanda* are perfect examples of mean-spirited yet undeniably humorous comedy.

And last, but certainly not least, Cleese (*Clockwise*) demonstrates once again that he deserves the recognition which he has received as one of the finest comic actors in the world today. As the barrister who is seduced by Curtis, he initially projects the stereotypically stuffy persona of an upper-class Englishman.

But, when amusingly stressful situations befall his character, Cleese abandons this mild-mannered temperament and exhibits the kind of wide-eyed buffoonery which has come to typify his unique style as an extremely droll and talented performer.

—Monkey Shines: 3 STARS

In this riveting and well-crafted chiller from horror-film mogul George A. Romero (*Day of the Dead*), the

wheelchair-bound lifestyle of a quadriplegic law student (Jason Beghe) is made easier and more bearable for him when he receives a trained monkey that can perform such menial tasks as answering the telephone and turning the pages of a textbook.

However, this particular monkey has been part of a scientific experiment involving the use of intelligence-expanding drugs on simians, and as a consequence, its heightened intellect allows it to develop a dangerously telepathic relationship with its physically disabled owner.

Though it does suffer from having some moments of shameless overacting, *Monkey Shines* is, nevertheless, a somewhat old-fashioned, little gem of a thriller. Containing very few instances of bloodshed, it still manages to create a great deal of spine-tingling suspense by way of the creepy, psychological bond that forms between the quadriplegic hero and his pet-cum-helper, and how the monkey gradually affects the crippled man's mental stability and endangers the lives of the people who are close to him.

Due to its rather poor showing at the box-office, *Monkey Shines* will certainly have a limited lifespan at our area theaters. Thus, if you like horror pictures that manage to be scary without wallowing in gallons of blood and gore, be sure to keep an eye out for this flick before you are forced to see it on videotape and/or cable television.

—The Rescue: 1 STAR

A woefully simpleminded, action-oriented adventure about a group of adolescent U.S. Navy brats who become amateur commandos when they decide to try and free their mistakenly-captured and sentenced-to-death fathers from a North Korean prison.

If you hold the opinion that Sylvester Stallone's *Rambo* movies are examples of farfetched entertainment that are difficult to endure, by all means avoid *The Rescue*. Boasting some unbelievably and ludicrously laughable plot developments and action scenes, this film makes the escapades of John Rambo seem like true-to-life documentaries on the United States Army by comparison.

Now, you're probably asking yourself why I gave *The Rescue* a rating of 1 STAR if I thought it was THAT bad. Well, to be perfectly honest, the spectacle of seeing a band of clean-cut American kids risking life and limb to save their dads from an early demise touched a patriotic chord in me.

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Mind you, I'm not saying that this motion picture is any good; I'm just saying that it isn't bad enough to earn the dishonor of 0 STARS. But, since we're on the subject of movies that warrant 0 STARS, let us forget the forgettable qualities of *The Rescue* and proceed to briefly examine the memorable awfulness of the worst film to be chronicled within this week's "PHILM REVIEW."

—Vibes: 0 STARS

According to rock star Cyndi Lauper, girls just want to have fun. Well, let me tell you, Cyndi, that moviegoers just want to have fun, too.

However, fun is what they won't have if they sit through *Vibes*, a bottom-of-the-barrel production with Miss Lauper in her feature film debut.

This squinty-eyes, squeaky-voiced songstress portrays a lovesick psychic who, along with another lovesick psychic (Jeff Goldblum), teams up with a smooth-talking con man (Peter Falk) and travels to South America in order to search for an ancient treasure that possesses great mystical powers.

Basically a supernatural romantic comedy with a dash of *Raiders of the Lost Ark* thrown in for bad measure, *Vibes* is mindless and dreadfully unfunny slop that deserves the disastrous reception that it has received throughout our nation's theaters. Ironically, this picture's lack of box-office business echoes last summer's money-losing *Who's That Girl?* starring Madonna, thereby proving once again that the fans of a popular singer are not necessarily willing to pay good money to see them act—or try to act, whichever the case may be.

As for Lauper's thespian efforts in *Vibes*, I cannot really say with any degree of certainty whether or not she possesses the talent to make it in Hollywood. After all, since her experienced and skillful co-stars Goldblum (the 1986 remake of *The Fly*) and Falk (TV's *Columbo*) come off looking like idiots in this mess, then how can you expect an acting novice such as Lauper to make an auspicious debut.

Now, in view of how lousy *Vibes* is, can you see why I was a bit generous with *The Rescue*?

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—Cocktail: Rated R for adult themes, language, and situations, as well as some brief nudity.

—A Fish Called Wanda: Rated R for sexual situations, brief nudity, and the adult and violent nature of some of its humor.

—Monkey Shines: Rated R for its high level of frightening tension, and some nudity and strong profanity.

—The Rescue: Rated PG for mild profanity and violence.

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The Brenda K. Starr concert begins at 8 p.m. in the Riverside Park Stadium. Admission to the amusement park includes the show. A discount admission is available after 5 p.m. The Budweiser Summer Concert series continues September 2nd with a performance by The Marshall Tucker Band.

Agawam Repertory Theatre Planning October Production

Agawam Repertory Theatre has announced plans for its October production of *"I'll Be Back Before Midnight!"*, a thriller by Peter Colley. The two-act play will be presented at the Moses Theater in West Springfield (former home of StageWest).

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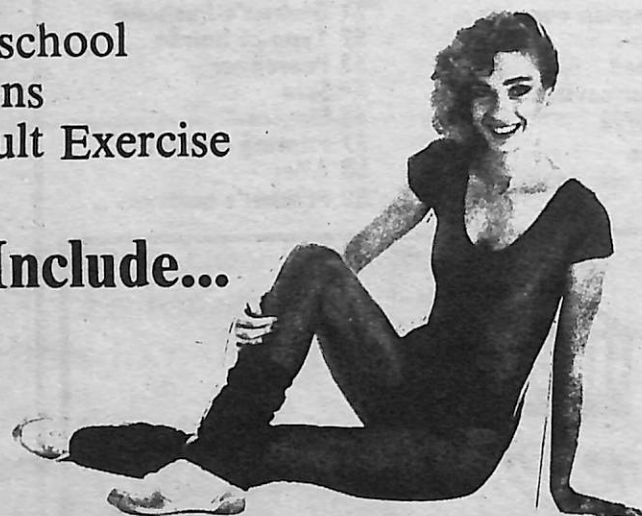
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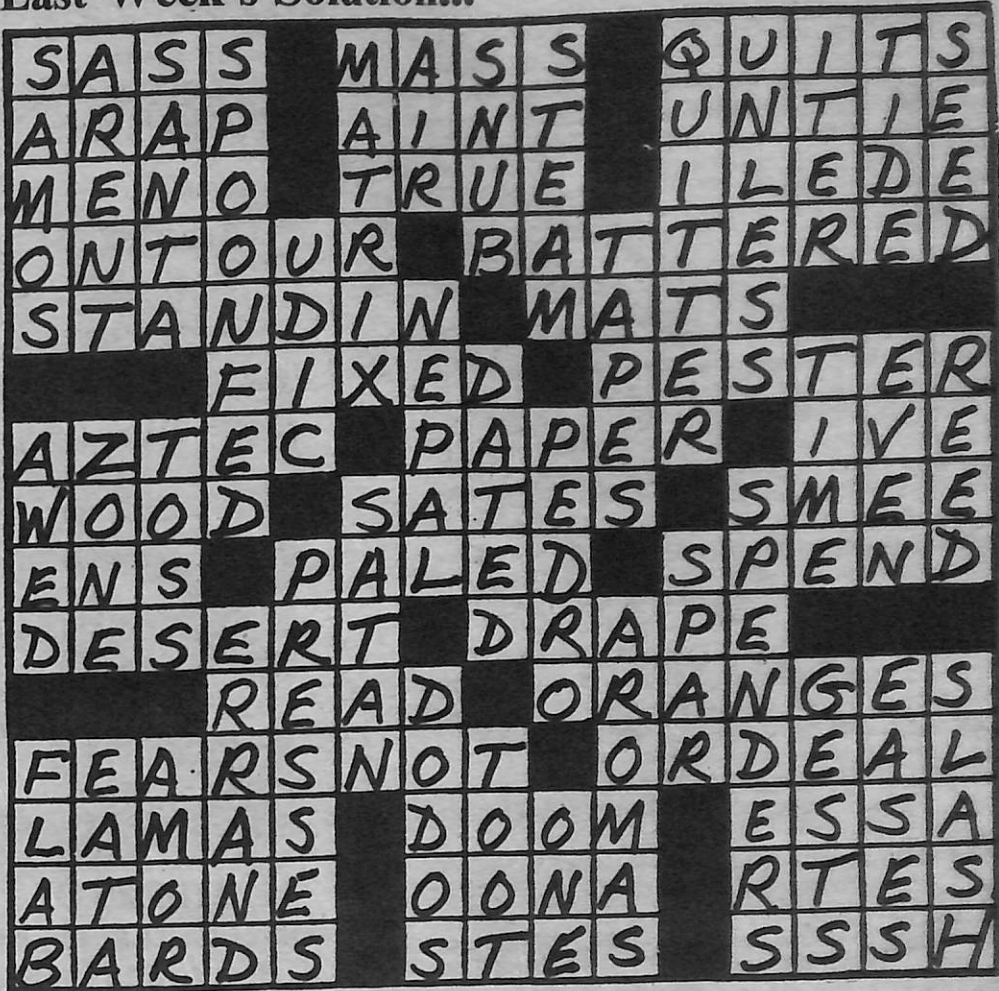
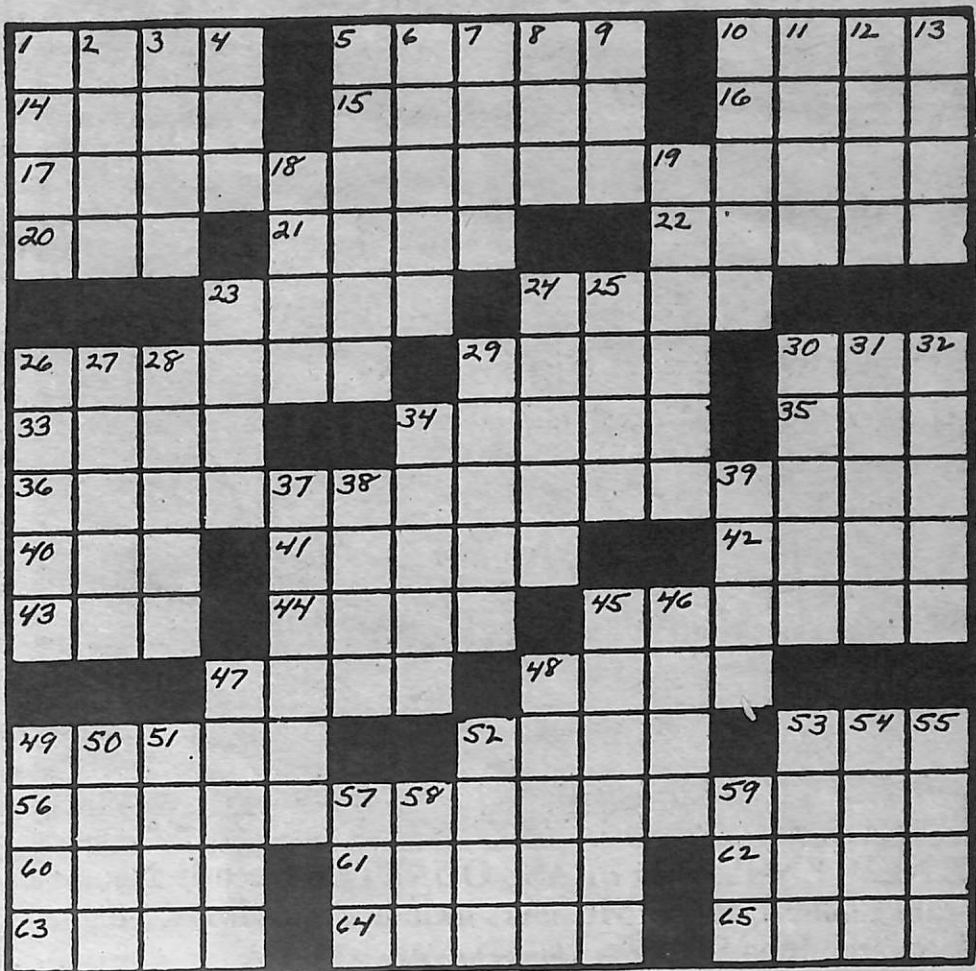
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STOROWTON COLONIAL CAMP COUNSELOR Lisa Perry (right) is pictured with colonial campers Alexandra Susen, Sheila Fanons, Nicole Skowera, and Mary Zano. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



COLONIAL CAMP COUNSELORS from Agawam include, from left - Sarah White, Deb Garrity, Barb Garrity, Jodi Pirnie, and Karen Eaton. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



COLONIAL CAMPERS at Old Storowton Village enjoy a 19th century game. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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Charlie Pride Protege Coming To Big E

Former background vocalist with The Charlie Pride Show, now a rising country star on her own, Sandi Powell will appear daily, September 14th-25th at Milk's Music Caravan Stage.

Powell's three performances are scheduled at 12:30, 2:30, and 4:30 p.m., daily at The Big E, "New England's Great State Fair."

Born in Portland, Tennessee, the attractive 95-pound, five-foot star attended Vogue Career College in Cincinnati where she studied fashion merchandising. After graduation, however, she took off for Manhattan to pursue her lifelong dream of becoming an entertainer.

Performing was nothing new to Powell who, at the age of 16, toured with her own band on weekends. She credits her parents with encouraging her musical aspirations. Her look-alike mother, Patty, was a singer/composer, who had 13 songs recorded. And her father, who plays guitar and piano, owned a recording studio during Powell's early years, and produced her first record when she was nine.

While in Manhattan, Powell's sister, Sue, joined her and the two musical siblings performed in a show band for two years. The Powell sisters left the group and traveled throughout the Midwest for the next three years heading a country-rock band.

Sue left to join the famed RCA recording act Dave and Sugar who were touring with The Charley Pride Show. On a visit to her sister in Dallas, Sandi was introduced to Pride, who later signed her to perform as a vocalist in his show.

Pride helped to promote Powell as a solo performer and she soon earned a recording contract with Sunbird Records, which released her first hit "Slip Away."

"The only thing I want more than any other out of my professional life is to be appreciated as an entertainer," said Powell.

For the past few years, she has toured the United States perfecting her singing and stage presence while appearing at most major state fairs. She has also played to capacity audiences at Gilley's in Pasadena, Texas, and Billy Bob's Texas in Fort Worth.

This year's Big E—New England's Great State Fair—runs September 14th-25th. More than one million fairgoers are expected to pass through the gates of the 67th annual Big E.



THE PHOTOS OF H.H.R. PAINE of Sherbourne Falls, will be on exhibit at the Agawam Public Library in September.

Public Library Presents Photography Exhibit

The Agawam Public Library is pleased to present a photography exhibit by H.H.R. Paine of Shelburne Falls, Massachusetts. Ms. Paine, a professional portrait photographer, will be exhibiting some examples of her work, including animal portraits.

With a bachelor of arts in art history from Wheaton College in Norton, Massachusetts, and a master of arts in art education from the University of Massachusetts, she also is an outstanding academic graduate of the Hallmark Institute of Photography. Her work has been exhibited throughout Massachusetts and has received two third place awards from the Concours de Peinture Raymond Duncan in Paris, France.

The exhibit will be held during the month of September in the gallery. Regular fall library hours begin Saturday, September 10th: Monday through Thursday, 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.; Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.; Saturday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The library will be closed on Labor Day.

CraftAdventure '88 At At Big E Aug. 26-28

Eastern States Exposition extends an open invitation to craft aficionados to attend CraftAdventure'88, its annual contest and showcase of the region's finest crafts in fabric/fiber medium, scheduled for August 26th-28th in the New England Center on the Exposition fairgrounds in West Springfield.

There's something for everyone at CraftAdventure'88. Visitors can enjoy wandering among the several hundred beautiful contest entries, can watch demonstrations, workshops, and displays of quilting, waving, embroidery, knitting, crocheting, and more.

The craft enthusiast will want to take full advantage of the many area craft supply dealers. The concentration of so many vendors in one small area gives the buyer a rare opportunity to conveniently pick and choose the best available patterns and materials.

Admission to CraftAdventure is \$2.50 for general public, half price for exhibitors and free for volunteers.

The success of this 14th annual craft lover's dream rests not only on the creativity of its artists but also on the commitment of volunteers. As many as 100 volunteers are needed to arrange displays, register contestants, sell tickets, greet visitors, and demonstrate their craft skills. 1988's outstanding CraftAdventure volunteer will be honored with the Florence Sattler Memorial Volunteer Award which will be presented on Friday, August 26th, at 2:00 p.m. The late Florence Sattler was a dedicated CraftAdventure volunteer for over a decade.

Volunteers are also needed for the exhibition of winning CraftAdventure entries at the 1988 Big E, September 14th-25th. Volunteers may set their own hours and receive free admission and parking for their services.

Anyone interested in volunteering at CraftAdventure'88 should call the Exposition's Creative Craft Department at 787-0159 by August 19th. Volunteer or visit, but don't miss this extravaganza. It's more than just a craftshow...it's an adventure—CraftAdventure!

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Agawam Schools Slate New Student Sign-Ups

Agawam Schools Will Open On **Wednesday, September 7, 1988**

Elementary School Principals Will Be In Their Offices From August 29th To September 1st For Registration Of New Students. **Office Hours Are 9:00 A.M. To 12:00 Noon And 1:00 P.M. To 3:00 P.M.**

Guidance Personnel At The Middle And Junior High Schools Will Be Available **August 29th through September 1st From 8:30 To 2:30 P.M.**

High school guidance staff will be available **August 29th Through September 1st From 8:00 A.M. To 2:00 P.M. For Registration Of New Students And For Conferences.**

ENTRANCE AGE

The State Board Of Education Requires That Children Be Permitted To Enter Kindergarten In September Of The Calendar Year In Which They Reach Age Five. It Is The Agawam School Committee's Policy To:

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Let's Talk Travel

by Julie Mercadante
Fugazy Travel



A Camping We Will Go!

My one day trip to Hampton Beach was so much fun that I thought I'd try it again, but this time I went camping on the Connecticut shore with some of my "Sesame Seed" friends.

My first and last experience with camping was a "trial" overnight in the backyard tent many years ago. It was a disaster. I tried to explain to the "Mr." that this was an experience in roughing it, but by the time he had hooked up the electricity and T.V. in the tent, the kids were restless and I had an overtired 18 month-old crawling all over everyone. The experiment lasted about 20 minutes before everyone went to bed in the house. So much for camping!

The weather had been bad all week and the forecast was for more of the same but my thinking was "it could be nice at the beach and if it isn't, we'll still have a good time." Willing to try my hand at camping, again, I left after work for Hammonasset State Park. The trip took about 1½ hours.

My friend, Carol, has a "pop-up" camper complete with screened-in porch. The "facilities" were conveniently or inconveniently (take your pick) just across the street.

We spent a pleasant evening, relaxing and chatting before going to bed—and then the rains came. A tor-

rential downpour would be more of an apt description. I always thought it was supposed to be romantic to hear the pitter patter of rain on the roof. Not so when the roof is canvas and about a foot away from your face. To make matters worse my sister made mention of the fact that if it rained hard enough, the poles supporting our end of the camper would sink into the ground. Could I sleep? No way!!

The rain over my head sounded like a never-ending drumroll. I was worried about my end of the camper sinking into the mud, and when the thunder and lightning started, my mind was filled with thoughts of "are we parked under a tree, and if we're not, how vulnerable are we to being struck by lightning in an open field."

The only one that slept that night was our hostess, Carol, who's been camping for 20 years or more.

The weather the next day was overcast but we had fun shopping and the lobster roll I had for lunch was the best I ever had. It was fun but it may be another 20 years before I try camping again!

JOTS FROM JULIE: I mentioned recently that Deana, our receptionist, is in love with the City of Vancouver. Well, a fam trip came in and guess where Deana's off to. It's her first time flying and she's off to her dream city. As the song goes, "How lucky can you get?"

Some people are born lucky. Take the "boss," Mike Martin. Everyday he drives to the office knowing what a great staff he has working for him. As I was saying, "How lucky can you get?" I must need a trip desperately if I'm writing about camping in the rain. I'll have something interesting to write about soon—I'm leaving on September 9th for a weekend in St. Louis, Missouri. "How lucky can I get?"

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Starship's Thomas Coming To Riverside

The 1988 Budweiser Summer Concert Series continues at Riverside Park with RCA recording artists "Starship" live in concert Sunday, August 21st, at 8:00 p.m.

Mickey Thomas joined "Starship" in 1979 and has performed the majority of Jefferson Starship's hits including the top 10 hit "Jane," the number one international single, "Nothing's Going to Stop us Now," featured in the motion picture "Mannequin," as well as "Sara." The RCA release of "No Protection" spawned another hit single, "It's Not Over ('Til it's Over)," reaching number nine on *Billboard* charts.

1988 sees "Starship's" new single "Set the Night to Music" featured in the motion picture, "Vice Versa." "Starship" has just recorded "Wild Again," the lead track to the upcoming film "Cocktail" starring Tom Cruise.

Admission to Riverside Park includes all the rides, shows, and attractions all day as well as the concert by "Starship." The Budweiser Summer Concert Series 88 continues with Brenda K. Starr, August 16th, and The Marshall Tucker Band, September 2nd. A new addition to the line-up, Johnny Kemp, will appear September 9th, singing his latest single "Just Got Paid."

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Education

Germans Joins With Turnverein Gymnasts In Show



CARSTEN BEHME TURNER from Dielheim, West Germany, accepts a proclamation of "Honorary Citizenship" in the Town of Agawam from Town Council Vice-President Jessie Fuller (left) and Agawam resident Dale Miller, chairwoman of the German-American exchange at the Springfield Turnverein. A gymnastic show also highlighted the evening. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



GERMAN GYMNASTIC COACH Stefanie Berger presents Town Council Vice-President Jessie Fuller and Springfield Turnverein President Dick Wiedermeyer with a dish from Dielheim, West Germany, during gymnastic show at the Turnverein last month. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Rick Brown Will Enter Babson College In Sept.

Rick Brown, son of Ms. Joanne Brown of 1069 North West Street, Feeding Hills, will be entering Babson College, Wellesley, this fall as a freshman.

Babson College is an independent coeducational college offering graduate and undergraduate degrees in business administration. It is one of the few colleges in the country to offer a major in entrepreneurial studies.

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Turnverein Brings German Culture Closer To Home



AT LAST MONTH'S gymnastic show at the Springfield Turnverein on Garden Street, West German visitors joined with Turnverein gymnastic team members to sing "That's What Friends Are For." From left - Dana Kling, Danielle Polizzi, Imka Sperling, Nicole Maden, Terri Fitzgerald, Nicole Koditz, Kathi Berger, and Michele Semar. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

The Wizard Of Oz Coming To Mt. Holyoke College Campus

The Children's Theatre of Massachusetts and The Mount Holyoke College Summer Theatre proudly present *The Wizard Of Oz*, rain or shine, Tuesday, August 23rd through Saturday, August 27th, at 10:30 a.m., on the Mount Holyoke College campus in South Hadley.

Storyteller Tom McCabe directs this magical morning of family entertainment, a theatrical journey over the rainbow into the world of imagination and dreams.

The cost is \$3.50. There is a 10 percent discount for groups of 25 or more. In case of rain, the performance will be held in Chapin Auditorium, also on the Mount Holyoke campus.

St. David's Church Closing Bible School August 19th

This Friday, August 19th, at 6:30 p.m., St. David's Episcopal Church will host the closing program of its Vacation Bible School. Featuring songs, awards, and special presentations, the program will conclude the week-long school theme, "Champions for Jesus." Students have learned from Bible teaching that, through faith in Christ, anyone becomes a true champion for life.

Special guest at the hour-long program will be Larry Sayco, current world champion yo-yo player. Sayco will demonstrate fascinating yo-yo tricks, entertaining to children and adults alike. Following the program, yo-yos will be distributed to each child in attendance. The public is cordially invited to attend the program.



KATHI BERGER of West Germany receives "Honorary Citizenship" to the Town of Agawam from council Vice-President Jessie Fuller and Dale Miller of Agawam, chairwoman of the German-American exchange. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Agawam High Gymnastics Set For Coming Season

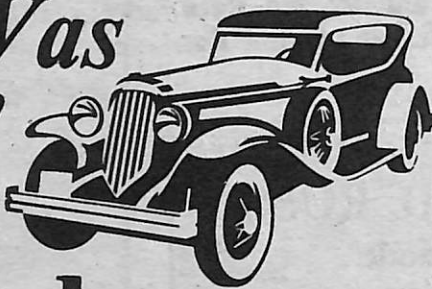
All girls interested in participating in Agawam High School gymnastics should call Coach Benoit, 731-9400 between 5:00 and 10:00 p.m., as soon as possible. A reminder that physicals are Tuesday, August 23rd, at 2:00 p.m.

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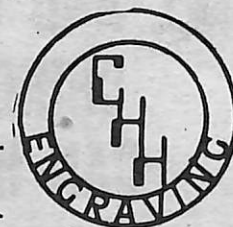
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STCC Offering Course For Training Of Electricians

Springfield Technical Community College has recently received approval from the Board of State Examiners of Electricians to offer the 300-hour training program required of applicants for the Journeyman Electrician's licensing examination, according to STCC President Andrew M. Scibelli. The program will begin on September 7th, with selected courses being offered during evening hours.

Registration is now underway for the program, which will be administered by the STCC Division of Continuing Education. Courses are being offered this fall include Basic Electricity 1, Fundamentals of Motor Control, and Technical Mathematics. Students are advised to take the math placement test early to ensure the appropriate math background. Those who do not place at the necessary level will be required to take prerequisite courses.

Interested individuals may contact Mary Breeding or Lynn MacDonald at 781-1314, extension 3865 or 3824 for further information.

Junior High Football Practice To Begin August 29th

Any eighth or ninth grade boys interested in playing junior high football should receive a physical. Free physicals will be given at the Agawam High School, Friday, August 26th, at 8:30 a.m. (make-up physical will be August 30th, 8:30 a.m.). You must have a medical history form with you signed by a parent.

The first practice will be August 29th at 9:00 a.m. at the Junior High School (changed from earlier scheduled date). Bring your sneakers or cleats, shorts, t-shirt, and towel. If you have any questions, call Coach Conte, 786-7729.

Michael Slate On Dean's List At University of Hartford

Forty-three full-time students at the College of Basic Studies, University of Hartford, have been named to the Dean's List for the spring semester of the 1988 academic year.

Included is Michael Slate of Feeding Hills.

Old Police Officers Named

Former Agawam Police Chief Ken Grady stopped by our office with this list of names identifying the group of former Agawam Police officers from about 50 years ago that appeared in a recent edition. THE MEN ARE, back row, from left - Chief Perley Hewey, Henry Madden, Edward Bissonnette, Howard Fraser, Kenneth Pond, Kenneth Grady, Horace Morette, Michael Mannix, Aldege Paro, and Roland Reed. Front row - Clint Wright, Dudley Bodurtha, Dan Ceasan, Arthur Berthiaume, Larry Regnier, and Frank Campbell.

Communications Exhibit Opens At Science Museum

Lightguides, computer chips, and magnetic bubbles—the nuts and bolts of modern communications—are the subject of a surprising exhibition opening at the Springfield Science Museum on August 20th.

MicroSapes: The Hidden Art of High Technology is a collection of 50 photographs that offers a rare view of elements too small to be appreciated with the naked eye. Captured on film with electron microscopy, thermography, and other special techniques, some of the photos suggest familiar objects and scenes, while others are beautiful, abstract works of art. AT&T is sponsoring the exhibit which will be on display through October 2nd.

Magnified thousands of times, a computer chip becomes an aerial view of a city; a drop of molten tin appears as a stand of evergreens by moonlight; and a fiber-optic filament is transformed into a Navajo rug. Other surprising images seem to represent a fleet of sailboats, a sea anemone, and a pounding surf. The brilliant colors and intricate designs of these photos offer fertile material for the imagination and provide a new appreciation for the intricacies of our technological world.

MicroSapes also includes two freestanding displays containing microscopes and a tower made of a million transistors and resistors—the equivalent of a single microchip.

MicroSapes was produced by AT&T, and all of the photographs used represent high technology products and processes currently used by the company, which is also supporting the exhibition tour.

The Science Museum is a unit of the Springfield Library and Museums Association, a private, non-profit organization. The museum is located on the Quadrangle at the corner of State and Chestnut Streets in downtown Springfield. Hours are Tuesday through Sunday from 12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m. For information, call the museum, 733-1194.

Mount Holyoke College Summer Theatre Slates New Comedy

Jack Neary's new comedy, *To Forgive, Divine* premieres at the Mount Holyoke College Summer Theatre Tuesday, August 16th through Saturday, August 20th.

Parish gossip is in high gear when Father Jerry Dolan and Katie Cochencko, a young, attractive and married librarian, spend more time together than might be necessary while planning their grammar school mar-

Visiting West Germany



DALE MILLER OF AGAWAM, chairwoman of the Springfield Turnverein's German-American summer exchange, presents Peter Ritz, president of the City of Diehlheim's Turnverein, with a wall plaque. RELATED PHOTOS IN THIS SECTION & ON PAGE 1.

ching band reunion.

All performances begin at 8:30 p.m., in the Summer Theatre's circus-style tent on the Mount Holyoke College campus in South Hadley.

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Sports

Ag. Slo-Pitch Play-Offs

Gino's Liquors Cling To Life Vs. Antonio's Pizza

by Cathy Landry
Advertiser News Staff

In the "B" National finals of the Agawam Men's Slo-Pitch Softball League's best-of-seven series, **Gino's Liquors** took the third game of the playoff, 9-0, and put themselves on the board with **Antonio's** leading, 2-1 in the series.

The third game, needed by Gino's to avoid being put in a deep hole, Friday, August 12th, started with a Gino's three-run first inning. Doug Converse and Joe Spano led-off the first with singles, Ray Rossi tripled and Greg Pytko singled to account for the three runs.

In the third, Gino's put its fourth run on the board when Chris Pohner reached on an error, Joe Spano singled, Bob Spano hit a sacrifice fly, and Rossi singled. Antonio's stopped any further damage when rightfielder Scott Weaver caught Pytko's long fly ball for the second out. He then threw to relay man Bruce Brandt at second, who gunned down a Gino's runner at the plate (who was trying to advance two bases on the ball) for the third out.

Gino's added four more runs in the fourth inning. Bob Maltoni, Gary Eggleston, Converse, Pohner, Joe Spano, and Bob Spano each had singles with two outs to plate the runs.

In the sixth, Gino's picked-up more insurance with two runs. Pohner and Joe Spano led-off the inning with singles. Bob Spano then reached on an error. Rossi advanced the runners with a long out and Pytko picked-up both RBIs with a single.

Joe Spano had four hits on the night, Maltoni three, and six players had two apiece including Converse, Pohner, Rossi, Pytko, Jay Mercadante, and Gary Eggleston, who also got the win on the mound.

Glenn Coppola had two safeties for Antonio's.

Wall's Sport brought its lead to 3-1 in the best-of-seven series for the "A" Division title on August 5th with a 6-2 victory over **Tavern Inn**.

Wall's put three runs across in the first inning and put the game away with hits by Tony Caputo (single), Brian Davivo (homerun), Mark Canegallo (single) and Bob Kelley (triple).

In the second frame it added another run when Dick Stepanian tripled and Rick Stepanian hit a sacrifice fly. Consecutive singles by Davivo, Canegallo, and Kelley brought the lead to 5-0 in the third inning, and in the fourth, Wall's finished-off its scoring. Dick Stepanian led-off the inning with a double. Rich Stepanian hit a long ball that advanced the runner and Keith Savoie singled for the RBI.

Tavern put both of its runs on the board in the fifth inning. Tony Rivers, Red Guyette, and Steve Bode each had a single, and Tom Mester walked in the inning to end the scoring in the game.

Wall's pulled off three double-plays in the game which effectively took Tavern out of several potentially big innings. Canegallo (three hits), and Davivo, Dick Stepanian, Kelley, and Savoie each had two hits for Wall's.

No one on Tavern had a multiple hit game, but Stan Ruzala, Captain Kelley, Rivers, Guyette, Bode, Dan Fruwirth, and Bob Fruwirth each had solo hits in the game.



MEMBERS OF DESI'S PLACE, who were battling for the Agawam Women's Slo-Pitch Division A title at presstime. Team members are, from left - Lisa Denver, Cindy Grieve, Deb Lickley, Mary Murray, Amy Marachacos, Hilary Bradshaw, Mosey O'Neil, Cathy Meader, and Deb Soucia. Missing - Kathy Mangano, Lori Picard, Shelly Gingras, Jo Lebouef, and Doreen Brown. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



MEMBERS OF BUC LOUNGE RED gathered for the team picnic last week. Team members are Cheryl Rivera, Kelly Trudell, Karen Tyburski, Pat Piccirilli, Tracy Berndt, Shari Baldarelli, Eileen Knowton, Carol Grzywacz, Celest Femia, Sue Duquette, and Jean Abrahamson. Missing - Maureen Knowlton, Mary Regan, Janet d'Entremont, Karen Fitzgerald, Leslie Clark, and Kathy Knowlton. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

VFW Has Desi's Place In Heaps Of Trouble

by Cathy Landry
Advertiser News Staff

Desi's Place, the second place finisher in the regular season, came back from an 0-2 start in the best-of-five playoff series in the "A" Division of the Agawam Women's Slo-Pitch Softball League to defeat **Easthampton V.F.W.** in the fifth game, 7-4, Wednesday, August 10th.

Desi's started the game with a bang by scoring three runs in the first inning. Deb Lickley led-off the rally by reaching on an error. Both Cindy Grieve and Cathy Meader singled, with Grieve scoring on a sacrifice fly by Kathy Mangano and Meader being brought in on a Lori Picard single.

In the third frame, singles by Grieve and Meader and another sacrifice by Mangano brought the lead to 5-0. But, in its half of the inning, V.F.W. finally got on the

board with four runs. Tina Rusiecki, Alicia Trial, and Sue Petrizzo opened the inning with singles. Paula Perfetto hit a sacrifice fly, Kathy Lofland was intentionally walked, and then Deb Pickett came up with a big three-run, two-out double to end the third inning scoring for V.F.W.

Mo O'Neil, Lickley, Meader, Picard, and Hilary Bradshaw each had a single, and Mangano a sacrifice fly for two key runs in the top of the fifth for Desi's, which ended the scoring for both teams.

Sue Petrizzo led all hitters with four safeties for V.F.W., who was playing with only nine players. Meader, who also picked up the victory on the mound for Desi's, led her team with three hits. Picard and Grieve each had two safeties, and Mangano racked-up three RBIs on the night.

Coach Mary Murray said she was pleased with her team's performance all year and of the players' dedication.

"There were a lot of role players for us this year; people who were called on to do little things in big situations. I think that's what won it for us—our consistency and team effort."

Meader, who pitched every game for Desi's, was another major reason for their success. "Cathy did everything this year. She pitched great. She hit and she stretched base hits to doubles," Murray said.

V.F.W. and Desi's had an excellent series going at presstime with all the games extremely close (including extra innings in the first game). "V.F.W. had a great season," Murray said. "It was a great season and we played each other tough through the whole series."

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Good Form!!!



ANTONIO'S PIZZA HURLER Garry Polon shows the form that was giving batters from Gino's Liquors a hard time in their Division B championship playoff battle in the Agawam Men's Slo-Pitch Softball League. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

St. George Of Ag. State Runners-Up

St. George's of Agawam was the league championship team in the regional 14-16 Mickey Mantle League with a record of 16-3 in regular season play.

St. George won a divisional playoff against Astro Video of Holyoke to gain a playoff spot in the state title tournament in Waltham.

The final state playoff games for the state title were held in Holyoke where Agawam played in a double elimination format vs. Waltham. Agawam had lost one of five pressure games and Waltham came in undefeated.

St. George won the first of the two-game series, 11-3, but Waltham fought back to win the championship, 8-2. Agawam received a trophy as the Mickey Mantle state runner-up.

Highlights of the season and state tournament included standout pitching by Chris Jarvis (7-1), Dan Gordon (6-2), Brian Robinson (2-1), and Felix Rivera (2-1).

Strong hitting and defense also contributed to St. George's outstanding season. The team boasted a .289 batting average as five players hit over .350 for the season. These players included Shawn Smith (.478), Chris Jarvis (.405), Scott Cavallo (.395), Brian Robinson (.378), and Jason Wooley (.378).

Coaches Bill Proakis, Alan Wooley, and Steve Jarvis were proud of their team since this marks the first time an Agawam team qualified for the state finals in Mickey Mantle play.

Members of St. George were awarded trophies and gym bags by their sponsor, St. George Greek Orthodox Church of Springfield.

Team members included John Battista, A.J. Berthiaume, Mike Berthiaume, Scott Cavallo, Mike Curto, Eric Fogg, Dan Fugiel, Dan Gordon, Chris Jarvis, John Macki, Bill Park, Brian Robinson, Shawn Smith, Craig Waryasz, Charlie Weber, and Jason Wooley.

For the playoffs, St. George added three Chicopee players - Dan Florence, James Jones, and Felix Rivera.

Unique Storage Team Continues To Roll

Game 8 in Hampden proved to be a showcase for the Unique Storage 9-10 year-old team's talents.

Error-free fielding by Unique Storage, including superb play by Danny Viens on a tumbling, shoe-string catch while in centerfield, added to the excitement.

Runs scored in a continual flurry every inning, started by Jimmy Baldyga's double and Jonathan Jacobsen's in-the-park homerun.

The most (10) runs crossed the plate in the fourth as Unique Storage batted their 15 full maximum lineup.

RBI leaders for the game were Ben McHugh (5) and Jeff Rousseau (4). Starting pitcher Brian Chechile and relievers Chris Chechile and Danny Viens held Hampden to a single run and allowed them only two hits. Final score—Unique Storage, 23-1.

Game 9—Facing Hampden at home proved to be a tougher challenge for the Unique Storage team. While holding Hampden scoreless through four innings, Unique Storage scored three in the second, highlighted by Keith Daubman's triple to score Carmen Battista for the first run.

Heavy hitting in the always productive fourth inning saw eight runs cross for Unique Storage.

In the fifth, both teams scored a single run. Starting off the top of the sixth, Hampden came back and scored five runs, chipping away at Unique's lead.

Shutdown pitching stopped Hampden cold. Final score, Unique Storage, 12-6.

Game 10 in Monson racked up another big win for Unique Storage. While Monson could not score against Unique's Storage's ace pitching, the bats for Unique Storage were never silent.

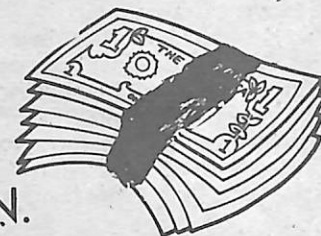
Two in-the-park "grand slammers" were belted by Nathan Wooley and Jonathan Jacobsen. Final score, Unique Storage, 21-0.

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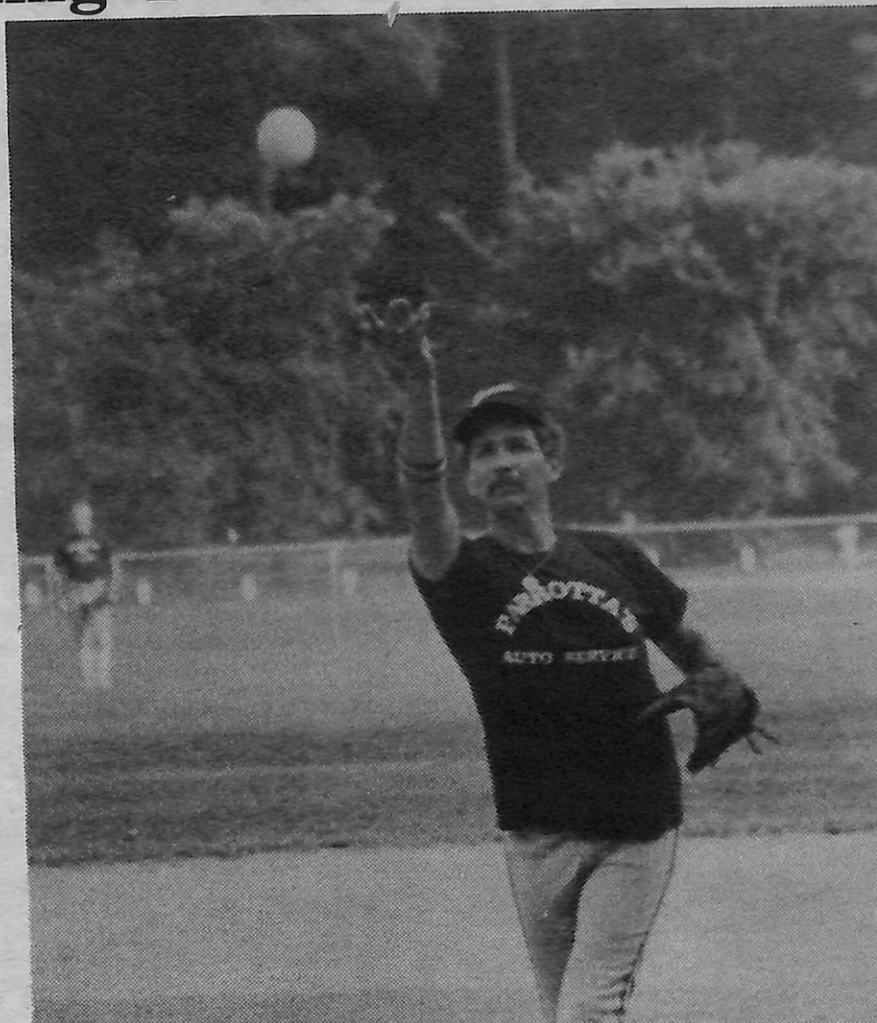
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Softball Wars Coming To A Close



ANTONIO'S PIZZA HITTER Mark Siciliano slugs a base hit vs. Gino's Liquors in championship playoff action last week in Men's Division B; **IN PHOTO RIGHT**, Tom Barthelette of Parotta's Auto Service hurls a moonball in playoff action. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.

Denise Roy Named Top Tennis Athlete

On Saturday, August 6th, at the New England Grand Prix in New Haven, Connecticut, Denise Roy of Feeding Hills was named the "New England Wheelchair Tennis Athlete of the Year." As a result, she was awarded a custom designer Everest and Jennings "Impulse" sports chair. This was presented by the Director of the New England Grand Prix Tournament in New Haven, Connecticut.

Ms. Roy received this award following a big win earlier that day against the nation's number one seeded female Division D wheelchair tennis player, Renee Kirby of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. In addition, Denise has won the National tournament this last June in Reno, Nevada; the Eastern Grand Prix, the Point Set Classic, and the New England Wheelchair Tennis Classic.

Sunday, Ms. Roy and her partner, Laura Patton, went on to win the doubles tournament.

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by **Ralph Rachele**

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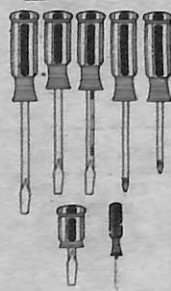
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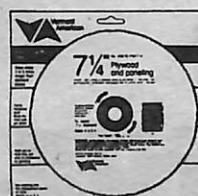
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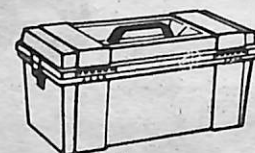


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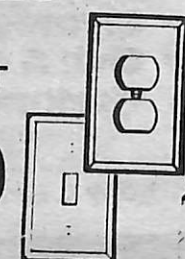
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SPORTSMAN'S CORNER

by Bill Chiba

The report down from New Hampshire is that the bear season promises to be a good one. Last year there was a lack of nuts in the woods and the bears tended to go where the food supply was—the farmers' fields. The end results being that 260 bears were taken for the season. The bears were easily accessible to the hunters, who found them feeding along the roadside, under apple trees, and in corn fields in the river valley.

Eric Orff, bear biologist, predicts that a harvest of 150 bear this year is more logical. There are nuts in the woods and the hunters will have to find them by putting in the time looking for the feeding areas.

Bear hunting is not like grouse hunting in that a person cannot simply take a walk in the woods and expect to get a bear. Orff recommends scouting an area and looking for bear sign before the season begins September 1st. Bears shift a great deal, depending on what's available to eat.

Early in the season, bears will eat chokecherries and other berries. Later, bears will switch to apples and beechnuts.

"Even years are nut years. Odd years are apple years," Orff says. He also suggests contacting farmers to see if any bears have been raiding their cornfields.

Bear season in New Hampshire runs September 1st to November 8th for all hunting methods, except with dogs. Hunting with dogs will be October 1st to November 8th. Only Coos, Carroll, and Grafton counties are open to bear hunting. Hunters must bring their bear to a conservation officer within 24 hours for registration and sealing.

New Hampshire is adopting the bowhunter education course. It will run for six to eight hours and cover bowhunting basics and field experience. An old friend, former Game Warden Fred Lankhorst, will hold a course on August 20th at the Sullivan Fire Station.

The word is out that the State of Massachusetts will hold **mandatory** Bowhunter Education Courses starting in January 1989. All bowhunters will have to take the course, unless you have already taken a course and can prove it when applying for a bowhunter stamp.

The powers to be are considering a Grandfather Clause—three previous licenses with a bow stamp attached. I will have more on this in the future.

I believe that some things have to be cleaned-up before we can go into the mandatory course. First, the bow stamp just covered bow-hunting. When the muzzleloading became popular, the bowstamp was renamed "Primitive Stamp." It seems to be that they will have to issue two stamps—a Bowhunter Stamp and a Primitive Stamp.

Look for the license fees to go up. The Division will claim they need the added revenue to cover the expenses. If they use the money from the federal government they receive for Hunter Education, like they are supposed to, instead of other projects, there will be no need for fees to be increased. The Division receives over \$100,000 for hunter education in Massachusetts.

Girls' Hoop Camp Has New Starting Date

by Cathy Landry
Advertiser News Staff

The three-day mini-basketball camp, which is to be run by Agawam High girls' varsity basketball coach Lou Conte, has been rescheduled for August 23-25 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., at the Perry Lane Park Pavilion.

The camp, which is open to girls entering fifth to ninth grade this fall, is to promote interest in basketball for local girls, Conte said.

"The interest in basketball in girls in fifth through the junior high is at a low point in the town," Conte said. "Not many girls are involved and this is causing some groups to consider cancelling winter programs. I hope the camp will renew some interest in the sport for girls this age."

Despite the lack of interest in the lower grades, the Agawam suburban basketball team, which targets this age group, has brought girls' basketball to a higher

level in town, and is also helping to strengthen the junior varsity and varsity program at AHS, said Conte.

In the past few years under Conte's leadership, the AHS girls' varsity has been better than ever. The Brownies qualified for the Western Mass. tournament both in 1986-87 and 1987-88, and several individual players have been recognized for their efforts.

Any girl who is interested in playing basketball competitively and is in this age group, is invited to attend the camp. In each session Conte will introduce a specific skill or fundamental.

The camp is **free of charge** and the girls are asked to bring sneakers, basketball attire, and a ball (if they have one).

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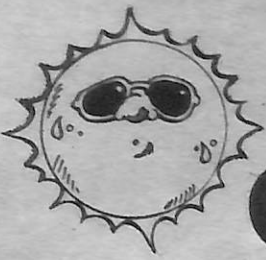
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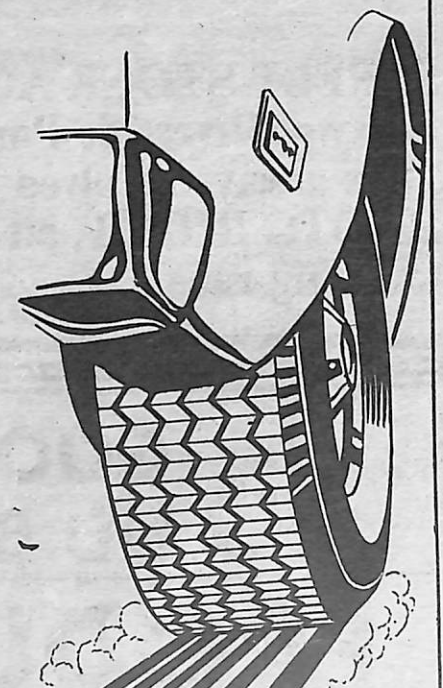


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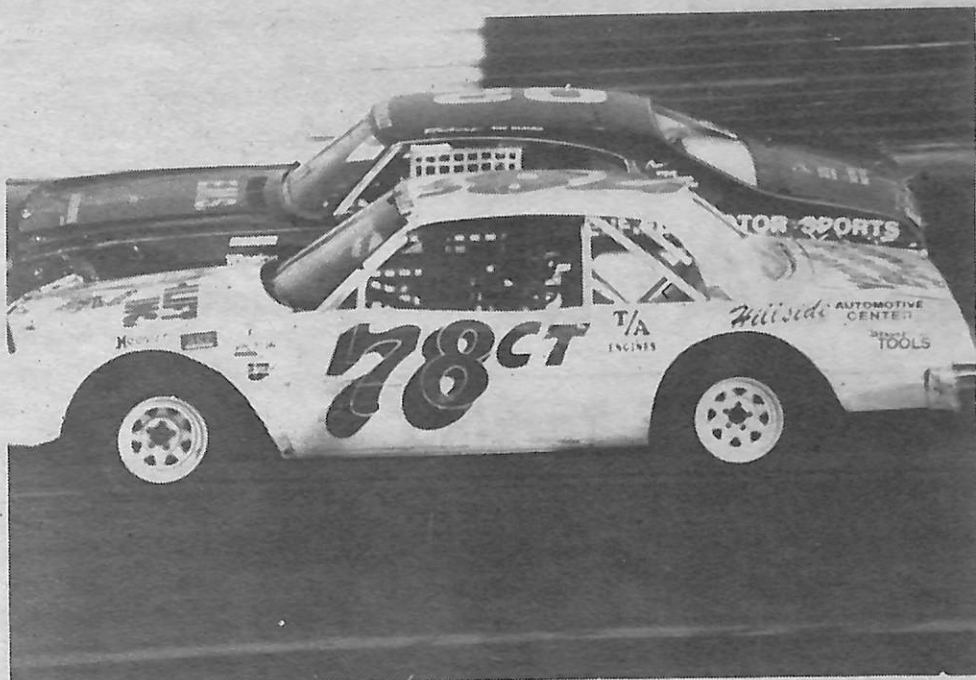
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(As of August 7th)

MODIFIEDS

1. Ruggiero	380
2. Stefanik	342
3. Greger	334
4. Rosati	314
5. Marquis	308
6. D'Alessandro	254
7. Avery	204
8. Pasteryak	194
9. Zavis	182
10. Schofield	144
11. Rzesutek	122
12. Radewick	110
13. Moore	96
14. Bolles	88
15. L'Etoile	80

PRO STOCKS

1. J. Marquis	394
1. T. Rosati	394
3. J. Rosati	368
4. Carusso	280
5. E. Lavoie	198
6. Surprenant	196
7. Prior	192
8. Lauridsen	182
9. Kopec	154
10. Turcotte	152
11. W. Carroll	144
12. Sokolowski	142
13. Belz	140
14. E. Carroll	118
15. Lobo	116

STREET STOCKS

1. D. Lavoie	290
2. Chalmers	282
3. Fearn	276
4. Carey	264
5. Hanks	260
6. Johnson	248
7. Duquette	238
8. Vassar	222
9. Gegetskas	220
10. Zelonka	204
11. Carusso	182
12. Perry	146
13. Roule	140
14. Parenteau	140
15. Fiormonti	138

D'Alessandro Holds-Off Ruggiero To Win 2nd 1988 Modified Race

It was another Big Bonus Night at Riverside Park Speedway last Saturday, as a crowd of 5,784 witnessed the qualifying race for the Pocono CAM 2 Race of Champions in the 50-lap F.L. Roberts-Riverdale Chrysler-Metro Door 50.

The event in cash and product featured over \$2500 in bonus awards.

Larry Moore took the lead from the front row as Bruce D'Alessandro (winner) came from fifth to take the lead on the outside. Four cautions marred the event, with minor spins involving Wade Cole, Joe Rzesutek, Rick Summers, and Rod Spaulding.

At the halfway point, D'Alessandro was out in front by almost a lap. Reggie Ruggiero, the point leader, was involved in a mix-up to come back to the front with ten laps to go. The final 10 laps was the battle of the night as Ruggiero pressured D'Alessandro to the checker.

At the line it was D'Alessandro beating Ruggiero by a bumper. Following Ruggiero to finish (third) was Stan Gregor (Cheney Const.). Fourth was Larry Moore (W. Hartford Tool) with his best finish of the season, and fifth went to Dan Avery (Ramsey Builders).

Sixth to 10th went to Mike Stefanik (Clint Hanks), John Zavis (1st 340 Metro Door), Tom Bolles (Bolles Eagle), George Kent (Plaza Olds), and Jerry Pearl (Hartford Roofing).

The victory was D'Alessandro's second Modified victory of the year and was a qualifying race for the Race of Champions, worth extra cash and the guaranteed spot. "This was a special night for me. My mother hasn't been to a race in five years. This win is for her. I really owe all of this to Cliff Nelson-Beamers, my crew, and my family," said D'Alessandro.

Four wins in the Pro Stocks was the story in the Dave Carusso stable as Carusso came from the back to take the lead from Scott Bouley. Bouley was real aggressive, but Carusso was awesome to take the victory worth \$600.

Second was point contender Tom Rosati of Agawam (Teddy Bear Pools). Third went to Bob Beckman (Sponsor Wanted), and fourth was Jerry Marquis (Marquis Service). Fifth was Agawam's John Rosati (Teddy Bear Pools).

Rounding out the top ten were Scott Bouley (Clear Water Pools), John Lobo, Jr. (Wagner Rug), Dave Carusso (Competition Auto), and Ed Carroll (Riverside Speedway).

Mark Schofield won his second feature of the season to become a National Parts Peddler Qualifier for the Race of Champions. Schofield held off Wade Gagner, who finished in the number-two spot. Third went to Tom Fearn (Warrens Auto). Fourth was John Meany and fifth was Tom Bolles (Bolles Eagle).

Sixth to 10th was Ted Chalmers, Gary Zelonka, Dan Lavoie, Bob Skinger, and Joe Scata.

This Saturday it's the biggest event of the summer season — the R.J. Reynolds WINSTON 200 for the NASCAR Tour Type Modifieds, plus the Late Model Streets. Action begins at 6:30 p.m. with time trials and much more.

R.J. Winston 200 Coming To Riverside On August 20th

As the summer months are starting to wind down, the racing is just starting to wind up at Riverside Park Speedway, as it will present its longest distance event of the season — the R.J. Reynolds WINSTON 200.

This \$25,000 special event will draw a large field of Tour Type Modifieds. The format for this traditional event will be time trials to qualify the top six cars, three heat races, and a consi; plus, the traditional 200-lap NASCAR Modified feature.

Expected regulars will include Mike Stefanik, John Rosati, Stan Gregor, John Zavis, Tom Bolles, and others.

Still, that isn't the only division to compete on the Saturday Special. There will be the Late Model Streets, too. And this will be another point race, as this year's point battle is the tightest ever.

Dan Lavoie is running first, but Ted Chalmers is moving back in with Tom Fearn, Tom Carey, Roy Scott Hanks, and several others.

Additional favorites to contend for the win will include Mike Duquette, Larry Vasser, Bob Gegetskas, Gary Zelonka, Dave Carusso, Gee Perry, and Jim Roule. Action for this event will start early as time trials will begin at 6:30 p.m. Admission will be \$10.99 for adults and \$3 for kids eight and under.

The next event is a NASCAR Double Point Show in all three divisions at the Park on Saturday, August 27th. This will also have a big effect in determining a track champion for all divisions at Riverside.

Still, the big news for some is another Riverside Park Speedway first — the first-ever appearance of the Busch Grand National North at Riverside Park Speedway, Sunday, August 28th.

The event will draw a star-studded field of NASCAR Busch Grand National cars. A posted purse will exceed \$30,000, and the program will consist of time trials, heats, a pit contest, and the Sunoco CAM 2 150 for the feature.

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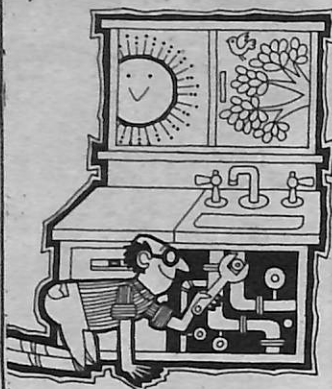
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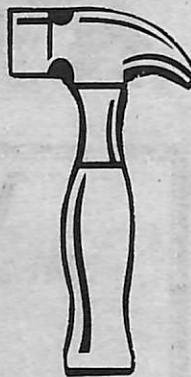
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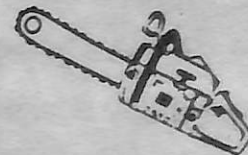
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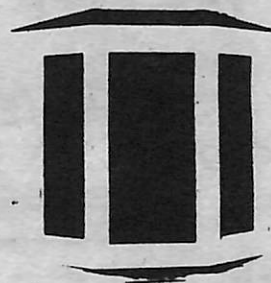
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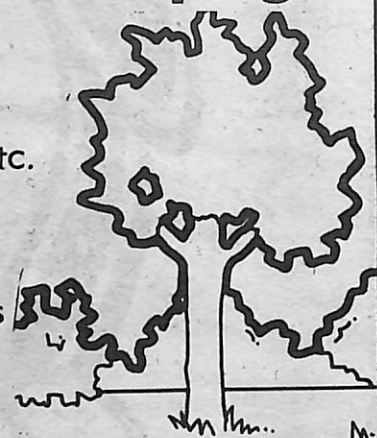
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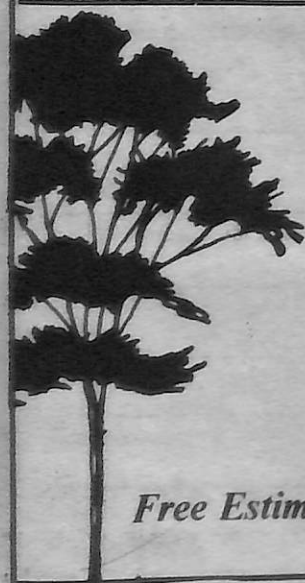
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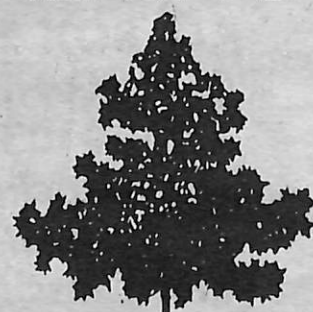
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